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FOREWORD

In 1935 the approach of the fiftieth anniversary of the erection of the present brick church was noticed by one of the members of the Presbyterian Church of Rome, and the attention of the pastor was called to the date, December 21, 1886, when the church had been dedicated. A committee was appointed to make plans for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary and the pastor began writing a history of the church from the date of its organization in 1844 to the time of the dedication of the second church edifice, 1886.

Upon the completion of the history of 42 years of the church's existence, it was thought appropriate to bring the account down to date for publication. After much correspondence with the descendants of former members and others, and a considerable amount of visitation with older members, together with research in the records of the church and in volumes of local history, the results have come to make up quite a volume of Americana. Church, family and village life in a township in Northeastern Pennsylvania for nearly a hundred years is delineated in the pages of this book.

The writer is indebted to members of the church for the facts and impressions they have freely shared with their pastor for this history. Miss Mary Rice has gone over many of the records and given many items of explanation and information. Mrs. U. M. Holmes has made available the diaries and personal papers of her great-grandfather, Elder O. F. Young, who was clerk of the session over half a century. Mr. Charles S. Pitcher has read the manuscript and contributed suggestions. The Department of History of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. of A. has furnished much data on membership and other annual reports.

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Wysox, April, 1942.

*To My Wife,
Mary Pearl Tedford*

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BACKGROUND

Rome, Pennsylvania was so named at the suggestion of Larmon H. Elliott, son of William, at a meeting of citizens held in 1831 to organize a new township from parts of Orwell, Sheshequin and Wysox townships, that since the township was in the same latitude as Rome, Italy, this new township should take the name of "the Eternal city." The majority voted to accept that name.

Rome Township has an area of about thirty square miles, comprising one thirty-ninth of Bradford County, and is drained by the Wysox Creek and its tributaries which include Bullard, Johnson, Park's, Hicks and Bear Creeks. Wysox is a name derived from an Indian phrase meaning "place of grapes," according to the Pennsylvania state highway marker. Within the bounds of Rome township were the Wysaukin and the Minnisink Indian trails. The former was a short cut northward going up the eastern side of Wysox Creek. The latter was a path crossing the township on its northern border leading from the village of Tioga to the Delaware River.

Along the Wysox Creek a broad and vertile vale extends on either side, and ascends into high and rolling tablelands and hills. It is the scene of dairy and poultry husbandry.

The first settler was Nathaniel Peasley Moody, who was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts in 1760, who became the great-great-grandfather of Mrs. Marjorie Moody Holmes, present pianist of the Rome Presbyterian Church, the line of descent being through Moses, Lemuel L., and William L. Moody. When sixteen years old Nathaniel P. Moody left Yale College and enlisted on an American privateer, being captured by the British and pressed into Dutch naval service for two years until exchanged. After that he enlisted in the Revolutionary army, served to the close of the Revolution having fought in six battles, and rose to the rank of major. After his discharge, Moody went to Great Barrington, Massachusetts where he married Miss Susan Griffin, and resided until March, 1795 when with his oxen and sled, his wife and their children, Enos, Moses and Menzen-tius, he started for the then "far west."

They crossed the Hudson on the ice at the city of Hudson, and arrived after many weary days of travel, at Tioga Point, where they heard of a place a few miles below called Sheshequin, whither they went, and worn with the long journey, resolved to go no farther. Levi Thayer at that time claimed, under the Connecticut title, not only all of the lands now included in Rome, but a large tract of the surrounding country. His surveyor ran out the lands into tracts, and also a township which Thayer called 'Watertown.' Moody helped Thayer to cut a road from the valley of Sheshequin to the Wysox Creek, which road intersects the creek near the center of the present incorporation of the borough of Rome. Moody purchased a piece of land of Thayer about a half a mile lower down, near the confluence of the Bullard creek with the Wysox.

"In the autumn of 1796 he erected a log cabin, and in May, 1787, he came with his family to his forest home. Another son had been added to his family in the meantime, Simon Spalding Moody, who was ten months old when the log cabin home in the wilds of Rome was first inhabited.

"On this trip night came on before they reached their cabin, and though but a half mile distant, they were compelled to camp at the junction of Bear and Wysox creeks. Mr. Moody with flint and steel soon kindled a fire in a dry pine tree, in the light of which they slept on the ground, their lullaby being the howling of the wolves in the distance. In the morning Mrs. Moody was frightened at what she supposed were Indians, but who proved to be some settlers from below,—Henry Tallady, Peter Florence, Matthias Fencelor (the hermit), and Mr. Hathaway. They had been hunting and had a wolf by his heels on a pole, which they bore on their shoulders, past the encampment. It was small wonder that a Massachusetts woman should mistake such costumed men for natives of the forest. It was a glad surprise to her, however, to learn she had white neighbors so near,—four miles distant."

The Matthias Fencelor referred to was a hunter who lived as a hermit at a place now owned by Mr. Smith A. Forbes in Wysox township. One time when returning from Sheshequin by way of Bullard Creek, he found himself being followed by wolves

when darkness overtook him before he could reach his cabin. He found a rock cliff jutting out from the creek bank which could be reached only across a narrow neck of ground. Here he built a fire and tended it all night, for he knew that the wolves, whose green eyes reflected the firelight on the other side, would not cross the passageway as long as the fire burned. When dawn came he saw them slink away into the woods, and not long afterward he made his way down the creek to his cabin. The place of vigil became known as Fencelor's Fort, and may be seen along the North Rome road, a little east of the farmstead of Mr. Avery Forbes, which was settled by William Elliott.

The next year after Nathaniel P. Moody came (1798), Godfrey Vought, Henry Lent and Frederick Eiklor came from Catskill, New York, with their families. They were all Revolutionary soldiers.

According to Rev. David Craft's *History of Bradford County*, Moody and Eiklor exchanged farms about 1800, and as Moody had the most cleared land, Eiklor paid him one hundred pounds of maple sugar for the estimated difference in the value of the farms.

"Soon after Mr. Moody settled on his farm he disposed of his oxen, and thenceforth contended with the heavy forest without a team. Two or three acres was the extent of the clearing made, the logs being rolled together by hand, and the wheat then sown and *hoed in*."

John Parks came in 1801 and settled the place owned in 1878 by Dan C. Wattles, now by Leon Bidlack, on the highway to Wysox. Elijah Towner, a Revolutionary soldier under Arnold, came first from Danbury, Connecticut, and next from Columbia County, New York, and settled on Towner Hill in 1806 after having lived on various farms near Sheshequin for a number of years. He was the ancestor of Daniel B. Towner, gospel song composer.

George Murphy settled on Towner Hill in 1803 and lived to be over a hundred years old. He was a son of John Murphy who was slain at the battle of Wyoming. John Hicks came to the hollow west of him in 1804. In 1805 William Elliott came to Rome bringing a party of nineteen, and settled on a farm on

Bullard Creek. A descendant, Joseph Elliott, lives near the old farm.

Achatius Vought, a brother of Godfrey, began a clearing on Park's Creek, about two miles northwest of Rome village, in 1807. Reuben Bump, of Huguenot descent, and a veteran of Bennington and Saratoga, came to the northwestern part of the township in 1806, with his brother-in-law, Russell Gibbs, a native of Vermont.

Peter Johnson, a native of Great Barrington, Massachusetts, came to Wysox in 1796, married Sarah Moger about 1799, and settled on Johnson Creek in the southern part of what is now Rome township. He operated a farm and a saw-mill. He had four sons—Hiram, Miner, John, Herbert; and three daughters—Polly, Eliza, and Amanda.

Other pioneer settlers included, according to C. F. Heverly's *History and Geography of Bradford County*, Jacob Wickizer from Luzerne County, who with Willard Green, bought land and settled on Johnson Creek. John Horton came from Wyoming in 1811 and settled on Wysox Creek. Isaac Strobe, a son of John Strobe of Wysox, settled in Vought Hollow about 1813. Simeon Rockwell came in 1815 from Connecticut, was a cabinet maker, and also farmed. John Kneeland, said to have been in the "Boston Tea Party," having served on land and sea in the Revolutionary War came to Rome in 1816, a native of Massachusetts. Sylvester Barns, born in Connecticut, came in 1813, bought the Ridgway mill in 1819, and became a Baptist deacon. Other settlers were David Weed, a wearer of deerskin dress; Edward Griffin, a miller on Bullard Creek, Samuel, Ephriam H. and Isaac Parker, locating at Bumpville; Eli Morris coming from Green County, New York in 1825; Lewis Goff and Nathan Maynard in 1830; Walter S. Minthorn and Silas Cole, 1830.

The territory now included in the village borough of Rome was once divided into two school districts, known as the upper and lower districts. The Baptists held their meetings in the lower, and the Methodists in the upper school house. In 1827 Deacon Stephen Cranmer, who came to Rome in 1812, organized the first Sunday School of the township in the lower school house and was its superintendent for several years.

On May 18, 1835 the Methodists organized a Sunday School in the upper school house, and continued it there until they began to hold their meetings in the Baptist Church, which was the first church edifice erected, some two or three years previous to the building of the Presbyterian Church which was organized in 1844. The Methodist house of worship was built by George W. Eastman and dedicated in February, 1850, when the population of the town was 1308.

The first religious service was held at the house of John Parks, in 1801. The preacher was Elisha Cole of Monroe township, a Methodist.

The first school teacher was Frederick Eiklor, brother of Mrs. Jesse Allen of Pond Hill (Lake Wesauking). He taught in the first log school house built in the township, in 1803 or near that time. It stood near the present farm home of Mr. Ulysses M. Holmes, formerly occupied by Oscar F. Young.

James Moore, a native of Ireland, lived for a time on the Hudson where he married Eunice Van Buren. He settled on Towner Hill about 1808. One of his children was named Martin Van Buren Moore, and Craft says he was so named for his maternal grandfather. One of his daughters, Elizabeth, married Enoch Towner, and named one of her sons Martin Van Buren Towner. She bore seven sons and seven daughters.

The Reverend Corrington E. Taylor's father, Benjamin, came from Connecticut in 1817. He was a native of Groton, and his wife, whose maiden name of Bathsheba Janes, was born at Springfield, Massachusetts. Her brother, Bishop Edmund S. Janes, was one of the founders of Drew Theological Seminary. Benjamin cleared a farm in the eastern part of the township, known as Taylor Hill, where descendants still live. An article by Rev. C. E. Taylor shows the pioneer conditions of early Rome, and is printed below.

ANNALS OF TAYLOR HILL

By Rev. Corrington E. Taylor

Incidents connected with the early settlement of our county increase in importance as the years pass by. Taylor Hill is a place not only known by nearly every man, woman and child in Rome township, but also in some of the adjoining townships. For many years after its first settlement it was in Orwell, but when in 1831 the township of Rome was instituted it became a part of that town. The hill is quite high, and very steep, especially in approaching it from the north. There are but few roads, much traveled in the county as steep as this, a part of the way. Much of the road is a great deal steeper now than the one was in the early settlement of the hill, as it then wound its way around, taking advantage of the depressions by its meandering course, and did not reach the top of the hill. But when the farms came to take definite forms, the road was laid out between them so that each should furnish one-half of the fencing and also be equally accommodated by it.

The approach from the west is easier and from the south still much easier. From the east there is now no road, though there used to be. It lies directly east from the borough of Rome, about one and a half miles. Its surface is quite uneven, yet scarcely a foot but what may be cultivated.

FIRST SETTLERS

One of the first settlers was Benjamin Taylor, from whom the hill took its name. He came in 1817. He was born in Groten, Conn., May 24, 1787, and was married to Bathsheba Janes, April 24, 1811. She was born in Brimfield, Mass., Nov. 16, 1786. After a few years they heard the voice of ages, "Go West." A number of their neighbors had already come and settled in these parts and he came out prospecting, and as the valley lands were already taken up, he made selection of this hill for his future home. After making a beginning in the forest he returned and brought his family, consisting of his wife and three children. They came in a two-horse wagon, crossing the Hudson river at Newburgh. The first year after their arrival here, they lived in a house of Simeon Rockwell's, at the foot of the hill on the Wysox creek. During this time he was engaged in clearing land and in putting up a house. He did not follow the example of most settlers and put up a log house, but built a frame one. The sides were covered with wide inch boards, bevelled so the edges of the upper ones shut over the lower ones, to make the house warmer and to prevent the storms from driving in. The nails used were wrought ones, made by the blacksmith, and brought from Connecticut for that specific purpose. For some time the only doors were blankets hung up, and for years there was no chimney, but a stone fireplace in the center of the house and an opening in the center of the roof for the smoke to escape.

Here in this wilderness home on the 11th day of Aug. 1818, the writer of these lines first saw the light of the sun, being the first white child born on Taylor Hill. "Aunt Chloe" wife of the late James Lent, I have been informed, was the conspicuous and the very responsible person on that occasion. My father finding it quite difficult to support so large a family in such a forest home, and as he was a cooper by trade and as his work was much wanted in Wysox, Shepard Pierce, an old acquaintance, persuaded him to move down there and work at his trade. This he did, living in a house which stood a few rods below where the family residence of the late Mr. Pierce now stands. He remained there about three years. As my mother was a weaver she did much in that line towards supporting the family. Here he lost a valuable cow and on a post-mortem examination a quantity of pounded glass was found in her stomach. She had troubled a certain neighbor, and one of the sons of that neighbor had sworn vengeance against her. But on the whole he was prosperous, and when he returned to his forest home he took with him three cows and forty sheep, and was well provided with household furniture. Soon after their return a chimney was built in the house. This under the circumstances was rather a difficult job, for the mason must stop while the dinner was being cooked. When completed it was furnished with a log-pole, but this was quite as troublesome as well as dangerous thing, for occasionally it would take fire and burn in two and let the pole and kettles down into the fire. I remember on a certain occasion that we children were boiling sap and our parents were both gone, when we looked and beheld the log-pole was on fire. I remember how we cried and took on, expecting every moment that it would give away, and the kettles with their boiling contents would come down with a crash into the fire; but to our great joy our parents returned in time to relieve us of our trouble. After a while an iron crane was obtained and put in, as a substitute for the log-pole, and it seemed like an acquisition of almost infinite importance. But the hand that fashioned it (Nathan Maynard) has these long years been mouldering in the dust, and the anvil no longer echoes to the stroke of his hammer. That crane is still in existence, my oldest brother having it in use. Sacred relic! What remembrances gather around that old crane! Few children of the present generation ever saw one, or know what it is, it is now stoves! stoves! stoves! Then such a thing as a stove in this country was hardly known. I must have been ten or twelve years of age before I ever saw one, and perhaps fifteen before I saw a cooking stove. How great the change!

The woods gradually receded. We generally cleared three or four acres a year and put it into wheat, and hardly ever failed of getting an abundant crop. This, with the minor crops, furnished enough for the family and some to spare. The virgin soil which had remained uncultivated through all the past age was wonderfully productive. Some of the land was what is called windfall—where the trees had been blown down and was covered with briars. This was easily cleared, and could be immediately plowed, as the roots of

the trees were nearly all gone, and the crops of corn, buckwheat, potatoes, etc., raised upon it was very large.

The cattle and sheep daily ran at large, to a great extent at least, as it was some years before pasture could be given them. The cows had among them the "bell cow" and the sheep the "bell sheep." The cows must be at home every night in order to be milked, and the sheep be in a fold near the house to protect them from the wolves. The cows would generally come by choice to get their bags relieved of the day's accumulation, but the sheep must always be sought for, and securely penned. Occasionally the cows would stay away, or in some manner be hindered from returning at night, and then a search would be commenced for them, lasting into the night or perhaps all of the night. This was a painful supplement to the farmers after a day of hard toil. Now and then, in spite of all the care exercised, the hungry wolf would succeed in entering the fold and satisfy his hunger upon some member of the flock. The number of hawks, owls, foxes and skunks made great watchfulness necessary over the poultry, by day and night. The deer and and squirrels were soon to obtain part of the different kinds of grain, and the quails and pigeons did not go hungry. But still amidst all, by industry and frugality, the wants of the family were well supplied and some advancement made every year "something being laid aside for a rainy day."

The above Annals of Taylor Hill were written by the Reverend Corrington E. Taylor, a Methodist minister, son of Benjamin Taylor, who was the great-grandfather of Mr. Harold Taylor of Brooklyn, N. Y., and of Mrs. Albion Jenkins, his sister, who make their summer home in Rome. Rev. Corrington E. Taylor died in 1888 at the age of 70 years. He had no surviving children.

HISTORY OF THE ROME PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 1844-1942

CHAPTER I.

ORGANIZATION

The following is taken from the original minute book of the session of elders.

"April 17th, 1844, 2 o'clock P. M.

Rome, Bradford County, Pa.

Met agreeably to previous notice in the School House for the purpose of organising as a Presbyterian Church. Rev. Julius Foster of the Presbytery of Susquehanna being present by request. Assisted by Rev. C. C. Corss & Rev. Moses Thatcher.

The several persons being members from different churches were present with Letters of Recommendations.

Names of the Members *Viz.*

Males

Females

Geo. W. Eastman

Lydia T. Eastman

Solomon Spalding

Miss Elizabeth Spalding

Bezaleel Gates

Sarah Gates

John Vought

Mervil Vought

Oscar F. Young

Mrs. Jane Passmore

The following persons were then chosen Ruling Elders, *viz.*, Bezaleel Gates, Geo. W. Eastman & Solomon Spalding. Oscar F. Young & John Vought were chosen Deacons.

Adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

7 o'clock P. M.

After Sermon Messrs. B. Gates & S. Spalding having signified their willingness to accept the office of Ruling Elders &

having answered in the affirmative the constitutional questions were set apart by prayer to said office of Ruling Elders.

Julius Foster, Moderator of Session."

The school house in which the church was organized was the upper or northeastern one of two in the village of Rome. It was situated below and almost adjacent to the site of the present office and residence of Dr. Arthur L. Parkes.

The Rev. Julius Foster was pastor of the Towanda Presbyterian Church. The Rev. C. C. Corss of Smithfield was later the author of a pamphlet history of Susquehanna Presbytery. The Rev. Moses Thatcher lived at Burlington, Pa. A memorandum by O. F. Young indicates that Elder Jonas Ingham from Wyalusing was also present.

Of the charter members, GEORGE WILLYS EASTMAN, and his wife, LYDIA TAYLOR MANN, lived on the farm now owned by Mr. Floyd Nichols, one mile northeast of Rome on the main highway. In 1863 they moved to Orwell township to a farm on the "ridge." They were the grand-parents of James E. Eastman, Mrs. Frank H. Brown and Mrs. Lillie Chubbuck of Orwell. George Willys Eastman was born Feb. 9, 1803 in Ashford, Conn., the second of eight children born to Justus and Sally (Farnum) Eastman. He died at Orwell June 3, 1875. He built the Rome Methodist and Baptist, and probably the Presbyterian, church buildings, being a carpenter and joiner by trade. He was overseer of workmen on the state capitol building at Madison, Wisconsin. He also built a number of residences in Rome, including the one purchased in 1864 by P. P. Bliss and now owned by D. S. Rice. He operated a wagon shop which was located on the lot now occupied by the house of Miss Mary W. Rice, whose residence and barn were remodeled from the divided portions of the old wagon shop.

When elected elder Mr. Eastman did not choose to be ordained, but on Sunday, Feb. 1, 1846, nearly two years later, he accepted the office. His son *Calvin Justus Eastman* was baptized at five years of age, June 9, 1844, having been born at Butternuts (now Gilbertsville), N. Y. Calvin married Mary A. Smith



Mr. George W. Eastman



Mrs. George W. Eastman

(1841-1893), the daughter of C. S. Smith of New Berlin, Chenango County, N. Y., and they were the parents of (1) Susan Elizabeth, born Nov. 14, 1860, married Myron Little Dunn (1860-1927); (2) George W., died as an infant; (3) Charles Willis, born Feb. 20, 1866, married Flora A. Bronson of Orwell, Aug. 4, 1890, died at West Chester, Pa., March 16, 1940, where he had been in the hardware store business with his brother Louis until the death of Louis in 1931; (4) Kate Salmon, born Feb. 2, 1869, married Frank H. Brown of Orwell, who was born Jan. 1, 1871; (5) Louis Everett, born Nov. 3, 1873, married Mrs. Henrietta (Smith) Green, who was born Aug. 4, 1881. Louis died Aug. 6, 1931, with burial at Orwell, Pa.

Susan Elizabeth Eastman, No. (1) above, daughter of Calvin Eastman, and her husband Myron L. Dunn, had five children, three of whom died in infancy or unmarried. Mary Louise Dunn, born Dec. 13, 1885, married first, Michael Palladino, by whom she had one child, Clarence Wesley, born May 23, 1910. She married, second, Charles Woodcock, by whom she had two children, Elizabeth, born May 28, 1916, and Madelyn, born June 19, 1918. The mother, Mary Louise, died Nov. 29, 1918. Her husband, Charles Woodcock, adopted Clarence Wesley, after the death of the mother. As Clarence Wesley Woodcock, he married Caroline Baker, and they have a child, Carolyn Baker Woodcock, born Sept. 14, 1935. This makes Elizabeth a great-grandmother. She lives at Miami, Florida.

Florence Madaline Dunn, born Feb. 18, 1894, daughter of Myron and Elizabeth Dunn, married Stanley Smith. They had born to them two children, Stanley Ellsworth and Charles Eastman Smith, twins born June 4, 1917, both of whom died the following year.

Kate S. Eastman, No. (4) above, and her husband Frank H. Brown of Orwell, have two living children: Vivian Elizabeth, who married Dr. Stanley DeWitt Conklin, with one son Stanley Brown Conklin, born April 5, 1921, a student of the University of Pennsylvania; and Raymond Eastman Brown, born Jan. 20, 1901, who married Ella G. Jones. They have two children:

Donald Jones Brown, born Feb. 11, 1931, and Ruth Marie, born May 7, 1937, both baptized in the Orwell Federated Church.

A son older than Calvin was *Willys Eastman* who was born Dec. 28, 1829, married Ellen Augusta Hine of Orwell, June, 1854, died without children, Aug. 16, 1865, and was buried in the Rome cemetery.

John Iveson, another son of George Willys and Lydia T. Eastman, married Dec. 19, 1867, Lucy Aurelia Brown, born March 20, 1845, daughter of Uriah and Perley (Howe) Brown of Orwell, and had seven children: (1) Willis Henry, married Jennie Lee, June 21, 1899, (2) James Eugene of Orwell, married Carrie E. Coburn, (3) Lillie May (Mrs. Charles P. Chubbuck), (4) Flora Belle (Mrs. John M. Cowles), (5) George Uriah, of Westfield, Mass., who married Aug. 12, 1908, Sarah Gertrude Coburn, sister of Carrie E. (6) an infant deceased, and (7) Josie Irene (Mrs. Reeve Gorham). John died July 9, 1920, and his wife Oct. 22, 1900. Burial was at Orwell.

(1) Willis Henry Eastman, first born of the children of John Iveson Eastman, was born June 6, 1869, married June 21, 1899 Jennie Lee, who was born March 17, 1872. They live at South Owego, N. Y., have two children: (1) Catheryn Alene, born March 22, 1901, married Jan. 12, 1924 Paul Gallaher, (and they have two children—Jeanne, born Jan. 28, 1925, and Lee E., born March 17, 1928); Mayvis Anna, born Nov. 5, 1905, married Feb. 1, 1930 Leonard Bixby. (2) James Eugene Eastman, second of the children of John I. Eastman, was born Nov. 20, 1870, married June 28, 1899 Carrie E. Coburn, daughter of James Parley Coburn. She was born Aug. 24, 1874. James E. and Carrie Eastman live at Orwell, and have two sons, Wesley Coburn and Gerald Eugene. (a) Wesley C. Eastman was born May 13, 1900, married June 27, 1925, Bulah Cary of Okmulgee, Oklahoma. She was born May 9, 1899. They have three children: Anne Carryl, born Sept. 17, 1926, John Wesley, born May 10, 1935, and James Coburn, born Dec. 30, 1938. They live in Carlinville, Illinois, where he teaches in Blackburn College. He is a member of the Religious Society of Friends. (b) Gerald Eugene was born Jan. 1, 1902, married June 16, 1928 Phyllis Man-

chester of Potterville, who was born Feb. 20, 1906. They live on Orwell ridge and have children: Gerald Eugene, Jr., born Jan. 4, 1932, Lois Elpha, born Feb. 23, 1937, and James Edwin, born Dec. 18, 1939.

(3) Lillie May Eastman, sister of James E., was born Sept. 24, 1872, married Charles P. Chubbuck Dec. 26, 1909. They lived at Orwell where he died March 4, 1936. Their infant daughter died two days after birth, in January, 1912. They adopted Calista Ruth Wilbur, who was born Dec. 21, 1911, and married Daniel G. King, and lives at Interlaken, N. Y.

(4) Flora Belle, born Dec. 15, 1875, the daughter of John I. Eastman, married Dec. 16, 1896 John Major Cowles, and died Jan. 13, 1918. He, born April 9, 1874, died February 19, 1938. They had four children who lived to mature age: John Clifton, Eustace Eastman, Marie, and Lucile.

(a) John Clifton, born May 17, 1899, married Aug. 30, 1922, Ethel Chaffee, who was born May 12, 1898 daughter of Lincoln E. and Sarah (Titus) Chaffee. They live at Orwell and have two children: Jean Marie, born June 2, 1926, and John Clifton, Jr., born Dec. 18, 1937.

(b) Eustace E., born Sept. 28, 1901, married May 16, 1925 Florence Stranberg, who was born March 31, 1900. They had a son, John Douglas, born April 30, 1930. Eustace died Aug. 13, 1932 at Philadelphia. His widow married W. J. Olson, and lives at 517 S. Lombard Ave., Oak Park, Illinois.

(c) Marie Cowles, born Dec. 17, 1905, married Feb. 26, 1927 Raymond Hammond. They live at the foot of Orwell Hill, on a farm and have four children: Charles Avery, born Aug. 28, 1928; Stewart Eugene, born Aug. 5, 1932; Louise Marie, born April 25, 1937; and James Eustace, born May 27, 1942.

(d) Lucille Cowles, born Dec. 15, 1908, married in 1938, Mr. Allen Fred Snyder, a forester, and they live at Neffsville, Pa. They have one child, Eleanor Mae, born July 29, 1940.

(5) George Uriah, son of John I. Eastman, was born Oct. 27, 1877, was named for both his grandfathers, and married Aug. 12, 1908 Gertrude Sarah Coburn, sister of Carrie. She was born Aug. 30, 1883. He has compiled a genealogy of the Eastman

family and its allied lines. He is in school work and lives at 16 Sterling St., Westfield, Mass. They have two children living: George Sydney, born June 18, 1909, engaged in teaching; and James Iveson, engaged in radio broadcasting, born March 8, 1912, married Nov. 28, 1934 Mary Carroll Moore, who was born Feb. 10, 1912. They have one child, James Iveson, Jr., born Aug. 28, 1936. Sydney married in October, 1941 Miss Ann Martel.

(7) Josie Irene, youngest of the children of John I. Eastman, born in 1886, married Dec. 30, 1908 Reeve S. Gorman, who was born March 26, 1888, and died Oct. 29, 1937. Two children survive: Dorothy Elinor Gorham, born May 10, 1917, married 1939 Robert Moore, has a child, Edith Irene, born Oct. 29, 1939; and Beatrice Georgianna, born May 20, 1924.

Sarah Jane Eastman, born Sept. 26, 1847, daughter of George Willys and Lydia T. Eastman, married Theodore Lewis of Orwell, lived for a while in Towanda, Pa., and moved to Scranton, Iowa, where her daughter Grace Augusta Lewis lives. Another daughter, Clara, lives in Missouri. Sarah died Oct. 22, 1920. Her daughter Clara Louise Lewis, was born July 12, 1882 in Towanda, Pa., and married Oct. 30, 1910 at Scranton, Iowa, Mr. Irving Andrew Dreher, who was born Nov. 28, 1881 at Scranton, Iowa. They had two children: Theodore and Dudley Lewis Dreher. Theodore, born Jan. 5, 1912 at Calgary, Alberta, married March, 1935, at St. Louis, Mo., Marguerite Chuning of Kansas City. They have two children, Richard Allen Dreher, born Aug. 17, 1937 at Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Teddy Paul Dreher, born July 12, 1940 in Fort Worth, Texas. Dudley Lewis Dreher, born April 16, 1913, at Calgary, married July 15, 1940, Thelma Cook of Kansas City, Missouri. The address of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Dreher is 8300 Wayne Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Lydia Taylor Mann, wife of George Willys Eastman, was the daughter of Calvin Mann and his wife, Hartie Hill. She was born April 26, 1809, and died Oct. 18, 1900. Lydia married Jan. 7, 1838 in Otsego County, New York, Mr. Eastman as his second wife, and came with her husband and two children to Rome in 1841. She and her husband were buried at Rome, with an infant grandson, George W.



Dr. Julia Spalding



Edger Spalding



Solomon Spalding



Grace Spalding

SOLOMON SPALDING, second male charter member, served as the first clerk of the session of elders. He lived where Mr. Lyle Edsall does now, and was a shoemaker by trade. Miss Elizabeth Spalding was his daughter who was then 16 years of age, and later married Ethan Baldwin Powell and was the mother of Floretta and Nettie Powell. She was dismissed by letter and recommended to the Congregational church of Guilford, New York, on Feb. 9, 1845. Mrs. Betsy Spalding, third wife, became a member by certificate from the Orwell Presbyterian Church voted Dec. 23, 1845.

Solomon Spalding was born Nov. 4, 1802, according to the Solomon Spalding Bible record, inscribed "Guilford, August 25, 1830." He married Louisa Eggleston Jan. 24, 1825. She was born Dec. 6, 1802. They had children: Henrietta, born Aug. 14, 1826; Hanna E., born July 4, 1828; Harriet A., born June 17, 1830; Louisa E., born Aug. 25, 1833. Louisa Eggleston Spalding, first wife, died Aug. 27, 1833, aged 30 years. Harriet A. Spalding, her infant daughter, died June 19, 1830, aged two days.

Solomon Spalding married, second, Jan. 1, 1838, Nancy Gilbert who was born Dec. 22, 1806. By her he had two children; Edgar E. born Aug. 4, 1839; and James Edelbert, born Aug. 18, 1843, died Dec. 11, 1843, aged 3 months, 22 days. Nancy Gilbert Spalding died Dec. 11, 1843. Solomon Spalding married third, June 12, 1844, Elizabeth L. Darling, widow of William N. Darling of Orwell who died Dec. 31, 1841 (Genealogy of the Russell Family, page 44, by Lewis Clark Russell, Warren, Ill. 1917). She died Nov. 23, 1875, aged 73 years, 9 months and 8 days, according to her gravestone in the Darling cemetery, Orwell Township. Miss Nettie Powell thinks her maiden name was Eastburn. (There is one Eastburn Werkizer name inscribed on a gravestone in the same cemetery.) Heverly (P. & P. F. of B. Co. Vol. II, p. 45) gives William R. as son of Theron Darling and married to Elizabeth Lovet. Since her middle initial is "L." this probably is the maiden name of Elizabeth L. Darling. Solomon Spalding and his wife took a letter of dismissal to Vineland, N. J. in 1867. He died in Cortland, N. Y., Nov. 16, 1885, aged 83 years and 12 days. His body rests in the Rome cemetery.

Henrietta Spalding, eldest of the children of Solomon, married Jan. 16, 1845 Festus C. Cranmer, who was born June 10, 1828, the son of Stephen and Polly (Vought) Cranmer of Rome. Stephen, according to the records of the Wysox Church, was baptized Jan. 16, 1793 at Monroeton, Pa. To Festus and Henrietta Cranmer were born five children: Ann Louisa, Nov. 15, 1845; Elizabeth Amanda, Feb. 27, 1849; Emma Rufina, June 9, 1851; Stephen Ethan, July 29, 1859, at Rome; Raphael E., April 22, 1859, died 2 days later. Festus Cranmer died Dec. 1, 1902 aged 77 years; his wife died July 1, 1903 aged 76. Their bodies rest in the Siloam Cemetery at Vineland. This information is furnished by Miss Emma L. Cranmer, 713 Pear St., Vineland, who is the youngest of thirteen grandchildren, and another granddaughter, Miss Winifred Adams, employed at Lakeland Sanatorium, Grenloch, New Jersey. The descendants of Henrietta Cranmer are listed under the names of her four children.

(1) Ann Louisa Cranmer, eldest, married in September, 1868 William W. Moody of Rome. They had six children: Frank (late of Athens, Pa.), Emma, Bruce, Guy, Charles of Athens, who had one daughter, and Malcolm, who had two daughters.

(2) Elizabeth Amanda Cranmer married Sept. 14, 1876 Isaac Cooley Adams of Rome, who was born at Springfield, Pa., April 24, 1848, died at Towanda, May 26, 1902. A son, B. Festus Adams, born Nov. 26, 1879 at Allis Hollow, Bradford County, Pa., died Jan. 15, 1906 at Altoona, Pa., unmarried. Burial was at Rome. A daughter, Miss Winifred Adams, born Feb. 6, 1883 at Allis Hollow, lives at Grenloch, N. J. Mrs. Isaac C. Adams died in 1927 at Belvidere, N. J., and burial was at Rome.

(3) Emma Rufina Cranmer married May 7, 1873 Samuel C. Sharp. They lived about 9 miles from Vineland at Lake, N. J., where she died April 12, 1880 and was buried in the cemetery adjoining the Methodist Church. They had two daughters, Cora, born May 30, 1874, and Nettie, born March 11, 1877. Cora Sharp married Melvin Morse of Mays Landing, N. J. They had three daughters: Bessie, Helen and Catherine. Bessie Morse,

born July 7, 1896, at Mays Landing, married Leo Lewis and lives at Pleasantville, N. J. Helen Morse, born May 20, 1900, at Brooklyn, N. Y., married George Felmley, has two daughters, Muriel Jane, born Feb. 24, 1930 and Audrey Lou, born Feb. 2, 1935. They live at Union, N. J. Catherine Morse, born Feb. 1, 1903, married Maris Wilson, a New Jersey state policeman, and they have a daughter, Virginia, born March 6, 1928, and live at Cape May Court House, N. J. Nettie Sharp married Charles Tyler and has two married daughters, Isabel and Helen. Isabel, born Sept. 25, 1908, married Thomas Gardiner and lives on South Delsea Drive, Millville, N. J. Helen, born Nov. 7, 1915, married Norman Brown and has two sons; Nelson, born Nov. 15, 1937, and Kenneth, born Oct. 8, 1939. They are living with her mother, Mrs. Tyler, at Newfield. Mr. Brown is employed at the New York Ship Yard at Camden. Leo Lewis died May 29, 1941.

(4) Stephen Ethan Cranmer, born in Rome, July 29, 1855, married Feb. 19, 1878 Anna L. Irish of Lake, New Jersey, born May 25, 1855 in Union, Maine, was 86 at her death when living with her daughter Emma at Vineland, N. J. He was a wheelwright by trade, and for many years had a large carriage and blacksmith shop, and built by hard labor all types of horse-drawn vehicles. He was for many years a director and vice-president of the Mechanics Building and Loan Association of Vineland, and for over thirty years was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Vineland. He died in Vineland, Sept. 18, 1932, in his seventy-eighth year. His wife died Oct. 12, 1941, with burial at Siloam Cemetery, Vineland. Stephen E. and Anna L. Cranmer had three children.

(a) Earl Winfield Cranmer, born at Vineland, Feb. 10, 1882, married Laura Kimball Hobart, May 18, 1908, engaged in insurance business at Harrisburg, now lives in Vineland where he continues the business establishment of his father, with automobiles and small boats replacing carriages. He has two married daughters, Evalyn Lucile, born at Harrisburg, Pa., May 24, 1911, now the wife of Leroy Dickinson, a machinist of Salem, N. J.; and Florence Hobart, born May 7, 1914 at Gloucester, N. J.; where her father was manager of the office of the Colonial Life

Insurance Company. Florence married Sept. 7, 1936 Rexford Matlack of Vineland. She continues her work as secretary of Dr. E. A. Doll at the Training School at Vineland, and her husband is a radio engineer with the station at Atlantic City.

(b) Walter Stephen Cranmer, second son of Stephen E. Cranmer, was born in Vineland, May 28, 1883. He graduated from the Bliss Electrical School in Washington, D. C., and his work has always been along the line of sales of electric cars, batteries and Philco radio. He recently retired as foreign sales manager for Philco, and lives at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. He married in May, 1907 Miss Frances Willard Richards of Willoughby, O. He and his wife made their home at first in Cleveland, Ohio, where their daughter Frances Anne was born June 30, 1908. She married John Udall of Ithaca, N. Y., where they reside both being graduates of Cornell, he as an architect and she as a landscape architect. He teaches in the University. They had two sons, David Cranmer Udall, born June 21, 1938 died Jan. 8, 1939; and Alan Taylor Udall, born May 5, 1941.

While employed at Philadelphia, Walter Stephen Cranmer had a second child born to his wife, Frances, at Vineland, Nov. 30, 1912. They named him Richard Stephen Cranmer. He married Ruth Ross of Bethlehem, Pa. and they reside near his parents in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. He was employed in the Philco research laboratory until called to active service as lieutenant in the Ordnance Department Reserve in March, 1941. He is stationed at Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa. They have one son, Richard Stephen, Jr., born Jan. 3, 1937.

(c) Emma Luella Cranmer is the third and last of the children of Stephen E. and Anna L. (Irish) Cranmer. She was born Nov. 10, 1885 in Vineland, is unmarried, and has had secretarial positions in various cities, and since 1929 has been employed at The Training School at Vineland. She is an ardent Christian believer.

Hannah Elizabeth Spalding, second of the children of Solomon, was evidently the Miss Elizabeth Spalding who was a charter member of the Rome Church, being 16 years of age at the time.

She married Ethan Baldwin Powell of Towanda, and died in Franklin, Pa. at the age of 32. He married, second, Theresa E. Darling (1828-1899). He died in Potterville, Pa., April 15, 1898. They had two children, Miss Nettie, who lives at 22 N. 8th St., Vineland, N. J., and Flora, who married Henry Prince of Potterville. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Prince lived and died in Towanda and had a large family:

(a) Carrie Elizabeth Prince, born at Potterville, Nov. 12, 1866, who married July 16, 1890 Mr. Bennett S. Harden of Towanda, lives at 301 Second Street, Towanda, and has children: Alice Louise, born April 24, 1891, married Leo Corbett and had two sons and a daughter—Robert L., born in 1913, Donald, born in 1921, and Doris Anne, born in 1925; Paul Rupert, born March 12, 1895 and Henry Bennett, born Dec. 7, 1902 both in the electrical appliance business in Towanda. Mrs. Carrie E. Harden when a girl, helped take care of the Bliss orphan boys at the unveiling.

Paul R. Harden married Edith Schrader of West Franklin and has a son, Paul B. Harden, born Sept. 21, 1923. Henry Bennett Harden married Elizabeth Whitmer, and has a daughter, Janice E., born March 23, 1931.

(b) Fred R. Prince, born June 13, 1869 in Rome, who recently retired from the chief clerkship of the Bradford County Commissioners office in Towanda, and now lives with his daughter at Westfield, Pa. (Mrs. Francis Maryott)

(c) Hartley Lee Prince, born in Towanda Aug. 9, 1871, had two sons, Alfred of Montclair, N. J., and Hartley, of Bloomfield, N. J.

(d) Alice Henrietta Prince, born on Christmas day, 1873, married Charles L. Horton, died in 1939, having lived with her sister, Mrs. Carrie E. Harden, for eight years. She had a son, Stewart Horton, who lives at 5325 N. Hudson Ave., Los Angeles, California.

(e) George Washington Prince, born on Washington's birthday, 1877, died several years ago, with burial on Oak Hill, Towanda.

(f) Helen Louise Prince, born July 22, 1883, married Lemuel Kingsbury and lives in Hollywood, California.

(i) Ronald Ethan Prince, born Oct. 25, 1895, married Elsie Pohlhamis, has one daughter, Shirley, and lives in Elmira, N. Y.

Louisa E. Spalding, fourth child of Solomon, married a Doctor Bailey, and lived in Norwich, N. Y., where her husband died. She went to live with her son, Benjamin Bailey in Ohio, where she died Jan. 12, 1881, aged 47. When last heard from Benjamin was in Kansas City.

Edgar E. Spalding, son of Solomon and Nancy (Gilbert) Spalding, married Dr. Julia Kinney, sister of the late Winfield S. Kinney of Rome. They had a daughter, Grace, and Dr. Julia Spalding practiced medicine at Rome. They later moved to Cortland, N. Y. Grace married Charles Henry Miller, of Five Corners, N. Y., and had a son, Earl Spalding Miller, now a resident of Detroit. Edgar Spalding's name follows S. Spalding at the head of the subscription list for the minister's salary in 1863. Grace Spalding and Carrie E. Prince were appointed to take care of the Bliss boys at the unveiling exercises in 1877, and were charged by Dr. Julia Spalding not to allow people to kiss them. Earl Spalding Miller, born Sept. 27, 1898, married Elsa Schultz and lives at 12750 Stoepel Street, Detroit, Michigan.

BEZALEEL GATES, third named of the male charter members, was appointed as delegate to represent the church at presbytery meeting in the fall of 1844, when the church of Rome was received into the care of Susquehanna Presbytery. He operated a tannery on the John Martin place, having a pond which extended to what is now the Bert Conklin property.

Bezaleel Gates was born in East Haddam, Conn., June 26, 1806, according to information furnished by Mrs. Sarah Gates Crockett, granddaughter, who thinks he was the son of Noadiah Brainerd Gates and his wife Mary Balcolm. On January 1, 1833 in Saybrook, Conn., he was married to Sally Ann Pratt, daughter of Stephen Pratt. In 1844 (probably) they moved to Rome, Pa. Mrs. Gates died July 20, 1847. Mr. Gates married, Oct. 11, 1848, Martha Sophia Pierce of Otsego County, N. Y. Their later years

were spent in Canton, Pa. He died in 1886. Mrs. Gates died in 1898.

Children of Bezaleel Gates

1. Harriet Cordelia Gates was born in Hadlyme, Conn., March 3, 1834. She was graduated from Mount Holyoke Female Seminary (now Mount Holyoke College) in 1857. She taught a Presbyterian parochial school in Rome. On April 20, 1864, she was married to Rev. Clark Salmon who had pastorates in Rome-Orwell; Meshoppen, Pa.; Prairie City, Ill.; and Webb City, Mo. After Mr. Salmon's health failed they came to Canton to spend their remaining years. Mr. Salmon died in January, 1890, and Mrs. Salmon on February 18, 1890.

2. Stephen Pratt Gates was born in Chester, Conn., Jan. 10, 1839. He attended the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute; was graduated from Jefferson College, and Princeton Theological Seminary. (Mrs. Crockett thinks the dates of graduation were '62 and '65.) He was one of the Pennsylvania Volunteers at the time of Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania and was stationed at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg. Mr. Gates was married in Freeland, Ill., June 8, 1867, to Miss Emma Frances Fay who was a graduate of and later a teacher in Rockford Female Seminary (now Rockford College). The Rev. Mr. Gates was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Canton and East Canton for 24 years, 1865-1889; of the church in Nelson, Pa., for one year, 1889-1890; and of the church in Brandt, Pa., three years, 1890-1893. In 1894 he moved to East Canton, later to Canton where he died, March 27, 1896. His first wife died Jan. 24, 1871. On Nov. 14, 1872, in Speedsville, N. Y., he married Matilda Jane Freeman, a teacher. She lived to be 92 and died September 14, 1930.

Emma. The Emma who was a pupil in Miss Harriet Gates' school, and who joined the church on March 31, 1866, is not a relative of the Gates family. Mrs. Sarah Gates Crockett thinks her name was Rockwell. She may have been an orphan. Grandmother Gates was fond of her, and for some years she lived in the Gates family and was called Emma Gates. She married Henry Waite and went to live in Middletown, Conn. She died young,

leaving two little boys, the younger a baby. Mr. Waite kept the baby who died later, and brought the older boy, Ernest to Mrs. Salmon. He lived in the Salmon family until the death of Mr. and Mrs. Salmon and was called Ernest Salmon. Then he went to his people in Connecticut; attended Storrs Agricultural College and became a landscape gardener. He died in Morristown, N. J. a few years ago. He left a wife and son Henry Waite.

The grandchildren of Bezaleel Gates were three in number.

(1) Sarah Frances Gates, daughter of Rev. Stephen Gates, was born in East Canton, Pa., Dec. 24, 1869. She attended the S. C. I. in Towanda, Pa., 1887-89; Mount Holyoke College, 1890-92. She served as librarian in the Canton Public Library, as assistant in the Buffalo Public Library, and as librarian in the Mansfield State Normal School. In 1911 she was married to Rev. William Day Crockett, Pd.D., and settled in State College, Pa. where Mr. Crockett was a member of the College faculty. He later became head of the Department of Classical Languages and Literature. Mrs. Crockett has traveled in Europe and the Near East with her husband. Collaborating with him, she has edited "A Satchel Guide to Europe" and "A Satchel Guide to Spain and Portugal." Mr. Crockett was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Canton, Pa., for eight years, 1893-1901. Died Oct. 19, 1930.

(2) Leslie Freeman Gates, son of Rev. Stephen Gates, was born in East Canton, Pa., December 21, 1873. He attended the S. C. I. in Towanda and was graduated from Lafayette College in 1897. During his college days he ran a book store to pay his expenses and was a member of the Glee Club. He was a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity to which his father also belonged. After college he filled positions as salesman for the Harper Brothers, and Appleton & Co. and located in Chicago, Ill. On Dec. 21, 1903 he was married to Josephine Lamson (Smith College '02). A year or so later he joined the firm of Lamson Brothers on the Chicago Board of Trade. He served two terms as president of the Board. His chief delight was in helping worthy boys through college. For a number of years preceding his death he was a trustee of Lafayette College. Gates Hall at

the College was erected to his memory. He died in Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 18, 1928. His widow lives in their old home, 723 8th St., Wilmette, Ill. They had one daughter, Helen.

Helen Gates, daughter of Leslie F. Gates, great-granddaughter of Bezaleel, was born in Wilmette, Ill., April 13, 1911. She was graduated from Swarthmore College in 1932. On Dec. 21, 1932 she was married to Dwight D. Taylor, a lawyer in Washington, D. C. They have two children: Margaret Lee, born Sept. 21, 1937; and Dean Gates, born June 12, 1939. Their present address is 4418 Reservoir Road, N. W., Washington, D. C.

(3) Harry Clark Gates, son of Rev. Stephen Gates, grandson of Bezaleel, was born in Canton, Pa., April 28, 1876. He attended the S. C. I., at Towanda, Blair Academy, Blairstown, N. J. and Lafayette College. During the Spanish-American War he enlisted in a Bradford Co. Company and was sent to Chickamauga where he contracted malaria and was sent home. On Jan. 23, 1907 in Canton he was married to Anne Frances Williams (Wilson College) daughter of Ansel D. Williams. He was for a number of years Cashier of the Farmers National Bank in Canton, later Vice President of the First National Bank. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church of Canton, and a member of the Board of Trustees of Packer Hospital, Sayre, at the time of his death which occurred in Corning Hospital, Corning, N. Y., July 6, 1938. His widow died Dec. 13, 1940. They had two daughters, Emily and Louise.

Emily Frances Gates, daughter of Harry C. Gates, great-granddaughter of Bezaleel, was born in Canton, Pa., April 22, 1908. She was graduated from Elmira College in 1929. She then taught English in the Corning High School, North Side. On July 6, 1935 she was married to Doctor Maynard William Gurnsey of Corning, N. Y. They have three children: Maynard William, Jr., born June 4, 1937; Judith Gates, born Sept. 9, 1938; and David Gates, born April 5, 1942. Their address is 84 W. Pultney St., Corning, N. Y.

Louise Williams Gates, daughter of Harry C. Gates, great-granddaughter of Bezaleel, was born in Canton, Pa., Sept. 22, 1909. She was graduated from Wilson College in 1931. For

several years she taught French in the Binghamton High School. On Aug. 1, 1936 she was married to Donald Halsey Benson, a teacher in the Mansfield High School. They have two children: Jane Anne, born May 13, 1937; and Sarah Gates, born Oct. 5, 1938. Their address is 90 St. James Street, Mansfield, Pa. (Correspondence of Mrs. Sarah Gates Crockett, State College, Pa.)

JOHN VOUGHT was the son of Godfrey and Polly (Croft) Vought, and was born March 15, 1805. He and Oscar F. Young were the first deacons of the church. His wife was Mervil Cannan, daughter of Matthew Cannan, a native of Ireland, and his wife Betsy Whitman, in whose father's store at Cherry Valley Matthew Cannan worked before coming to Rome in or before 1811. Heverly gives the birthplace of Betsy Whitman as Providence, Rhode Island. John Vought and his wife were members of the Orwell Presbyterian Church, having been baptized Aug. 2, 1835, from which they brought letter of dismissal at the formation of the Rome church. They lived on a 150 acre farm, their home being where Mr. Ray Parks lives, next to the Methodist Church, to the erection of which in 1849 John Vought subscribed ten dollars. Mrs. Vought died Feb. 16, 1869, and willed the sum of one hundred dollars to the Presbyterian church, the interest of which is still current and paid annually on the minister's salary. Mr. Vought died at the age of 85 in 1890. It is related of him that during a drought, when asked to attend a prayer-meeting to pray for rain, he asked, "What is the use of praying for rain when the wind is in the west?"

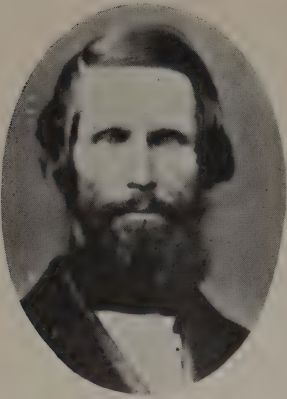
OSCAR F. YOUNG, last named of the male charter members, was born April 11, 1818 in Warren Township, the son of Nathan and Lucy (Burton) Young, and married May 11, 1839, Miss Rachel E. Allen, born Jan. 2, 1819, daughter of Peter and Betsey (Dubois) Ridgway Allen, and granddaughter of Jesse and Elizabeth (Eiklor) Allen of Pond Hill. He came to Rome as a school teacher, and after his marriage lived on the farm now owned and operated by Mr. Ulysses M. Holmes. Lucy Jane Young, three year old daughter, and Allen Peter Young, one year old son, of Oscar and Rachel Young, were baptized at the time of the first



John Vought



Mrs. John Vought



Oscar F. Young



Mrs. O. F. Young



Bezaleel Gates



Mrs. Joseph Seely



Joseph Seely

communion of the church, June 9, 1844 by Rev. John Iveson, three weeks after the church was organized. Mr. Oscar F. Young was ordained elder with Mr. George Willys Eastman, Feb. 1, 1846. Most of the records of the session of elders from 1846 to 1896 were written by Mr. Young, who died in 1902.

Oscar F. Young and his wife Rachel had the following children, all members of the Rome Church:

1. Lucy Jane, named for her paternal grandmother, was born March 14, 1841, and married June 1, 1859 at the Wysox parsonage, Philip Paul Bliss, the ceremony being performed by the Reverend Andrew Barr. They became members of the Rome church the next Sunday. Two sons were born to them, Philip Paul, Jr., and George Goodwin Bliss. The parents were killed in the Ashtabula railroad disaster on the night of Dec. 29, 1876. Paul Bliss, as the older boy was called, became a noted composer. His brother George, became an expert accountant, and was an elder in a number of churches. Paul Bliss married June 2, 1903, Lina Louise Mayor, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Mayor, at her father's home on Academy Street in Owego, N. Y. He died Feb. 2, 1933. Paul's wife died Aug. 9, 1940, aged 72. George Bliss married March 11, 1896, Miss Ida May Belcher of Newark Valley, N. Y., and lived for a number of years in Detroit, Michigan. He died on the anniversary of the death of his parents, Dec. 29, 1933, and his wife died Jan. 12, 1940 aged 67 years. Their bodies rest in Maple Grove cemetery at Candor, N. Y. Mrs. George Bliss was the daughter of Sidney and Mary (Dickerson) Belcher.

2. Allen Peter Young, born May 14, 1843, namesake of his grandfather Peter Allen, the first postmaster of Rome, married Jan. 25, 1866 Melita Mann, daughter of Hiram and Hannah Eliza (Maynard?) Mann, and their daughter Lizzie was born Jan. 20, 1867. She married first, William Moody, Jan. 28, 1885. Their daughter, Marjorie, born May 15, 1891, married Ulysses Mercur Holmes July 26, 1911 in the Wysox Church. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have two children: Eulalie Moody Holmes, born June 6, 1913, married Stephen Russell Stearns of Manchester, N. H.;

and John Allen Holmes, born Feb. 22, 1916, who married Charlotte Syme of Flushing, N. Y. Mrs. Lizzie Young Moody married, second, the Reverend William Watson, a member of Wyoming Conference, Oct. 18, 1911, who died July 24, 1925, aged 64, with burial at Spring Forest Cemetery, Binghamton, N. Y.

John Allen Holmes and his wife have a son, Peter Allen Holmes, born Jan. 20, 1941 at Flushing, N. Y.

3. Oscar Warren Young, born Oct. 22, 1846 married March 29, 1876, Katherine L. Smith of Owego, N. Y., and they had four children: Stephen, Rachel, Ralph Oscar, and Charles. Oscar W. Young died at his farm in Lounsberry, N. Y., April 8, 1904. He had marked musical talents, and was associated for some time with P. P. Bliss and D. L. Moody. Stephen W. Young, eldest, was born Jan. 26, 1877, and died unmarried in Baltimore, June 1, 1901. Rachel Ellen Young, called "Rae," was born Oct. 14, 1883, married Dec. 1, 1907 at Washington Courthouse, Ohio, Reverend David Hugh Jones, lived in Evanston, Illinois in 1922, when her husband was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Since his retirement as pastor emeritus they have made their home in England, where their address is Woodbrook, Beech Drive, Kingswood, Surrey, England.

Her husband, the Reverend David Hugh Jones, was the minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston, Illinois, for twenty-one years, after being two and a half years at Lima, Ohio. In June, 1931 he retired from his active ministry, being made pastor emeritus of the church for his life time. They went to England in that year and their daughter Gendolen, their only child, was married in June, 1933 to Mr. David Ellis-Jones. They have a five year old granddaughter, Glenys Barbara. They were with Gwendolen and Ellis twenty miles southwest of London when the air raids began, but as the raids increased in violence and numbers they soon had to leave for a safer place. They moved to Colwyn Bay, Wales, where they live at Scotscroft, on Conway Road. There they are not entirely free from raids, for Liverpool is not far away, but they have been away from the horrors and terrible disasters experienced elsewhere near the larger centers.

Mr. Ellis-Jones, by his career, was placed in the reserved occupations, but is a member of the Home Guard and daily expects to receive a call to active war service. Mrs. Jones writes, "We are all doing something, going without many things, willing to go without many more—hearts and minds united in one purpose, to do all we can to win this war and beat the enemy so that this awful thing, War, may never raise its head again!"

The letter gives more facts about the brother of Rachel Young than were known before, when the book manuscript was completed. Ralph Oscar Young (ROY) lives in Asheville, North Carolina and has two children: Jane Willis and James Warren Young. Jane has a government position at Washington, D. C. James is married and has work in a large broadcasting network in the south. Both children are graduates of their mother's alma mater, Dennison University, Granville, Ohio.

Charles Daniel Pitcher Young, fourth of the children of Oscar Warren and Katherine (Smith) Young, was born Jan. 6, 1891 and died Nov. 19, 1908, unmarried, at Owego, N. Y.

4. Ella Ione Young, born June 1, 1851, married Corydon L. Barnes. They had no children. She died Jan. 5, 1912.

5. Clara Elizabeth, born June 19, 1853, married July 8, 1875, John S. Ellsworth, a Congregational minister, and died in 1912. They had one son, Charles, of Chicago, who married Bertha Brinkerhoff, and had three children: Ralph Ellsworth, New Canaan, Connecticut, art editor of the *Parent's Magazine*; Ruth Crandall Ellsworth and Helen Marjory Ellsworth.

Ralph Ellsworth, born Aug. 2, 1902, married Mary Grosvenor of New York City and they have two children: Nancy Grosvenor, born Oct. 15, 1934, and Mary Dexter, born September, 1937. Ruth Crandall Ellsworth, born Aug. 14, 1904, married Gordon Whalen, and they live at Milburn, N. Y. and have three children: Barbara Joan, born Jan. 5, 1928; Gordon Douglas, born Feb. 20, 1930; and Richard Ellsworth Whalen, born Oct. 4, 1935. Helen Marjorie Ellsworth, born Oct. 4, 1909, married Harold Dickinson in 1933, and they have one child, Judith Anne, born March 25, 1937.

6. George Romeo Young, born March 20, 1860, married first, in 1884, Agnes Terhune, who died in 1891. By her he had

one daughter, Jane A., who attended schools of Ridgewood, N. J., Elmira College, and the Mehan Studios at Carnegie Hall, New York City, following a musical career, until her marriage Feb. 3, 1914 to Mr. Howard I. Wheat. She resides at 80 Crest Road, Ridgewood, N. J. George Romeo Young married second, Mary Ryerson in 1893, by whom he had a son Edward R. Young. Mary died in 1898. Edward R. Young married in June, 1914 Jennie Swop, and has three children: Dorothy Lucile, born Sept. 13, 1915; George R., born Feb. 26, 1917; and Betty Jane, born July 14, 1921. Dorothy is a graduate of Ridgewood High School and St. Luke's Hospital of New York City. George attended St. Lawrence University, and joined the coal sales firm of Young & Bortic, of Ridgewood, and is the fourth generation in that business. Betty Jane was a student in the class of 1941, at Southern Seminary, Beuna Vista, Virginia, where she has taken much interest in Spanish.

George Romeo Young married, third, F. Adele Ryerson in 1907, who resides at 287 Woodside Ave., Ridgewood, New Jersey. George Romeo Young died Feb. 27, 1936 at Ridgewood.

MRS. JANE PASSMORE, last named of the ten charter members, was the wife of John Passmore. Her maiden name was Shoemaker, and they were married in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 14, 1843 by the Rev. John Dorrance, who had been pastor of the Wysox Church 1831-1833. She died Oct. 5, 1868, and burial was at Forty-Fort, Pa. Her husband was prominent in the community and county, being an associate judge, and a representative in the state legislature. His name is on a memorial window in the Methodist Church.

The Passmores lived where Mr. Leslie Dimon now resides. Mr. Passmore owned much property nearby. Hon. John Passmore died in Erie, Pa., at the age of 70, in the home of his sister, Mrs. Courtright. His body was buried beside that of his wife.

On June 8, 1844, Mr. Charles R. Bassett presented his letter from the church at Warren. He was dismissed by letter to Troy, Dec. 27, 1846.

On the following day, June 9, the first communion service was held by the Rev. John Iveson, who baptized Lucy Jane and Allen Peter, children of Oscar F. Young; and also Calvin J. Eastman, son of George W. Eastman.

CHAPTER II

ERECTION OF FIRST CHURCH

Within a year from the date of organization steps were taken to erect a church building. A meeting of citizens of Rome convened January 7, 1845 at the shop of Chaffee & Eastman to take into consideration the propriety of building a "House for public worship." Joseph Seely was called to the chair and O. F. Young appointed secretary. It was resolved that it was the opinion of those assembled that "there be such a house erected in this place for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church." Peter Allen offered to give a lot of 100 feet in front and 150 back and \$50 toward the House; John Passmore the same quantity of land and contribute liberally toward said House; Nathan Maynard the side of three lots for \$100 and give \$50 of it toward the House; Godfrey Vought a sufficient quantity of land and \$50 or \$60; S. Cranmer 100 feet on the road by 150 back for \$100 and take a share of \$10 in the House to be applied on the purchase money. G. W. Eastman, Joseph Elliott, John Passmore, John Vought, Peter Allen, Danford Chaffee and Charles Taylor were appointed a committee to draft a plan, fix a site, circulate a subscription paper, and ascertain probable cost of the House.

On Jan. 14, 1845 a subscription paper was drawn up and circulated. The heading of the paper and the subscribers with the amounts set opposite their names follow:

Rome, Jan. 14th, 1845

We the undersigned will pay the several sums set opposite our names towards the erection of a house for Religious Worship for the use and benefit of the Presbyterian Church and Society in Rome Bradford Co., Pa.—to be located on lands of N. Maynard, opposite A. F. Eastman and B. Gates.—The size of said house to be 34 feet front and 44 feet deep—height of posts 20 feet with a plain Steeple and Galleries in the front end and

two sides—the whole to be built in a plain neat workmanlike manner under the superintendence and direction of “Building Committee.” Any person paying \$5.00 shall be entitled to a share in said house, and no one shall be entitled to more than 20 votes. Lumber suitable for frame to be delivered on or before the 1st of May next, the house at all times will be open and free for all denominations on funeral occasions and a proper liberality shown to all Orthodox Churches. A small portion of subscription would be desired in money and the balance in materials and labour or something that will buy materials.

Names

Geo. W. Eastman \$50.00
 A. F. Eastman \$50.00
 Geo. K. Taylor (Keg of nails)
 \$6.00
 C. A. Taylor \$10.00
 Joseph Seely \$25.00
 A. J. Maynard \$5.00
 B. Gates \$25.00
 O. F. Young \$30.00
 Philander Robinson \$5.00
 A. D. Cronk \$5.00
 Peter Vought \$10.00
 Acatias Vought \$5.00
 Nehemiah Vought \$5.00
 Enoch Towner, Jr. \$5.00
 Danford Chaffee \$25.00
 M. B. Prince (1200 ft Hemlock)
 \$5.00
 James Ellsworth (Lumber) \$5.00
 Daniel Hill (Lumber) \$5.00
 H. Vought (Lumber and work)
 \$5.00
 W. W. Woodburn \$5.00
 A. P. Moody \$5.00
 H. Hicks \$5.00
 Harry Passmore \$5.00
 W. E. Maynard \$5.00
 Wm. Parks \$5.00
 Anson Collins \$5.00
 A. W. Alger \$5.00
 A. Milton Wattles \$5.00
 Joseph Allen \$8.00
 Reuben Russell \$5.00
 E. A. Ridgway \$10.00
 Arunah Wattles \$30.00

Names

John Prince \$5.00
 Harry Strobe \$5.00
 Sanford Prince \$5.00
 Edwin Collins \$5.00
 Chandler Prince \$5.00
 E. R. Myer \$10.00
 John Vought \$30.00
 H. H. Mann \$25.00
 Chas. R. Bassett \$25.00
 Albert P. Hicks \$10.00
 Godfrey Vought \$25.00
 D. N. Miller \$5.00
 S. F. Washburn \$20.00
 Martin V. B. Towner \$5.00
 Enoch Towner \$5.00
 Lucius Eastman \$15.00
 John M. Hicks \$5.00
 David Eiklor \$5.00
 Dan. Russell \$10.00
 Wm. Tripp \$5.00
 Charles C. Lent \$10.00
 H. Vought \$5.00
 Wm. Blend \$5.00
 John Frost \$13.00
 Jabez E. Sexton \$5.00
 John W. Woodburn \$5.00
 Samuel M. Alger \$5.00
 Hiram Morris \$5.00
 Harry Clark \$5.00
 H. D. Rockwell \$5.00
 Simeon Rockwell \$5.00
 Frederick Morley \$5.00
 Samuel Owen \$5.00
 Smith Lent \$5.00
 H. Morgan \$10.00

Names
 John Owen \$5.00
 N. Hemmingway \$25.00
 John Passmore \$40.00
 Nathan Maynard \$10.00
 Wm. S. Reede \$5.00
 Joshua Vought \$10.00
 Peter Allen \$10.00
 Richard E. Lent \$5.00
 John Gore \$5.00

Names
 Joseph Vought \$5.00
 Stephen Vought \$5.00
 Dan Russell \$5.00
 Samuel Reynolds \$5.00
 Smith Forbes \$5.00
 Roger Alger \$5.00
 Alanson Whitney \$10.00
 (Total \$852)

Concerning some of these there is available some data for individual and family sketches.

Asa F. Eastman, born at Marbleton, Chenango County, New York, April 21, 1808 was a brother of George Willys, and married first Harriet, daughter of Naphtali Woodburn, and her grave, inscribed "Died March 18, 1837," is in the graveyard across from the house of Mrs. Howard Acla on the road between Wysox and Rome. He married, second, Catherine, daughter of Jacob and Thankful (Green) Wickizer, and they had five children: George Hyatt, Asa Myron, Martha Letitia, Miles Justus, James Dobson. He was a member of the Wysox church. He had a brother Lucius, who married a woman with the first name Sally, who died Jan. 3, 1881 aged 65 years, 9 months, 23 days. They had a farm in the northern part of Rome township in 1869. He died June 21, 1870, aged 65 years, 1 month and 21 days, and burial was at Bumpville cemetery, where another inscription indicates he had a daughter Sarah E. She died May 13, 1883 at the age of 36 years and 6 months, and was the wife first of J. Richards, who died Oct. 23, 1873, aged 30 years, and second, of Frank Bradley. Joseph, a son of Lucius and Sally Eastman, died July 1, 1857. Another infant son died in 1856.

C. A. Taylor may have been Charles Taylor who was a carpenter who was assessed for a house and lot (\$206) for occupation (\$25), and for a cow (\$8).

JOSEPH SEELY lived on and owned the farm in Rome township now owned by Mrs. Mabel Doane. He was born Feb. 1, 1804 in Walton, Delaware county, N. Y., son of Sylvanus Seely, upon her death bequeathed to the church a sum of money (\$150) the interest of which was to be used for the minister's

salary, still operative. A number of their children became members of the church. A page of photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Seely and their farm residence, as well as a column of biography, is given at page 355 in the Reverend David Craft's *History of Bradford County, Pennsylvania*, published in 1878. In 1848 he was taxed for 32 acres improved, 50 acres unimproved land, 1 house, 2 horses, and 3 cows at \$418 valuation.

They had eleven children, three of whom died young, with burial at Rome, as was the case with their parents who died in 1882 and 1894 respectively. Mrs. Seely died at Lix, Pa., April 6, 1894.

1. George Newton Seely, first son of Joseph and Julia Seely, was born Aug. 31, 1827, left home before the birth of the eleventh child, married and died in California, leaving no children. He and his father and brother Silas were subscribers to the building of the Rome Methodist Church in 1849. He was assessed for 4 acres of improved land, 82 unimproved, at a valuation of \$179.

2. Silas Edson, born March 12, 1829, married Aug. 19, 1852, Miss Abigail Marie Passmore, daughter of Joseph and Abigail Passmore. He was an elder of the church and died Sept. 13, 1902 in Fort Smith, Arkansas, where his wife died in 1907. They had a daughter, Julia Maria, who died unmarried at Fort Smith in 1912, and a son, Enridge P.

Enridge Passmore Seely, born Oct. 9, 1895, son of Silas, was married by Rev. H. F. Mason of Wysox, Pa., July 10, 1878 to Bernice Lillian Wattles, born in Rome, June 6, 1853, the daughter of DeWitt and Olive (Carter) Wattles. They had four children:

(1) Bernice Christine, born Sept. 14, 1880 in Towanda, Pa., married William Henry Vaughn. They live at 410 Greenwood Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas, and have two children: Bernice Margaret, born Nov. 27, 1913; and Nancy Mildred, born Jan. 16, 1920.

(2) Bernice Enridge, born Feb. 8, 1888, married Dr. Earle Jesse Logue. They live at the same address at the Vaughns.

(3) Olive Gail, born Dec. 4, 1882, married William Clarence Timmons. They have one son, Wilbert Helde Timmons, born

June 22, 1915. Mrs. Olive Timmons teaches in Fort Worth, Texas, where her address is 1317 Clover Lane.

(4) Robert Enridge, born Oct. 10, 1895, married April 21, 1920 Marguerite Hankins of Warren, Ark., and they live at 1120 Thirty-sixth St., N., Seattle, Washington. They have three children, Robert Enridge, Jr., born at Seattle March 23, 1923; Jack H., born Jan. 11, 1930; and Nancy Jane, born Aug. 16, 1931. Mr. Robert E. Seely is in the lumber business.

Enridge P. Seely died in Fort Smith, Oct. 5, 1929. His wife died there July 19, 1917.

3. William Henry Seely, born Nov. 26, 1830, married and died March 22, 1918 at Montrose, Michigan, leaving no children.

4. Warren Erasmus, born Nov. 10, 1832 died in boyhood April 12, 1850, with burial at Rome.

5. Jane Adeline, born July 19, 1835, married Sept. 12, 1855 George Harmon of Hupert, Vermont, where they had one daughter born, Mary (May) who taught school from 1888 to 1903 at Walton, New York. For a number of years, "Aunt Addie," as she was known to the children of her brother Isaac Seely, lived with her daughter as an invalid at Walton. A year or so after the death of Mrs. Harmon, her daughter Mary, at the age of 42, (Feb. 2, 1903) was married to Mr. James E. Norton, aged 48, of Granville, Washington County, N. Y., to which place they went to live, and which is about ten miles from Rupert, Vermont. Mr. Norton was engaged in the production of roofing slate, and was a widower with two or three children. Mrs. Norton never had any children of her own. Her parents are thought to have been buried at Rupert, Vermont. She died in 1919. (Letter from Paige H. Sinclair, Walton, N. Y.)

6. Charles Edwin, born July 3, 1837, had a farm in school district number twelve in the northwest part of Rome township in 1869, according to Beers' *Atlas of Bradford County*. He married Belle Tuttle, and they lived in Loveland, Colorado, having a daughter, born April 26, 1869, now Mrs. P. Mercer, whose address is Milliken Colorado, Box 511. Charles Edwin Seely died at Loveland, Colorado, Aug. 12, 1921.

7. Mary Rebecca Seely, born June 11, 1839, married July 16, 1861 Charles son of Jesse Brown of Sheshequin township, Pa., who was born 1797. The remains of Mary Rebecca rest at Sheshequin. To her and her husband were born two children who reached maturity: Hanford S. Brown, now living at El Verde Lodge, Saugus, Cal., who married in 1920 at Bellingham, Washington, Miss Emma Mary Colk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Colk of Aylsham, County of Norfolk, England, Mrs. Colk being of the Goodwin family; and they have a daughter Mary Seely Brown, born in 1922; and Etta Brown Wolfe (deceased), who had two sons, (1) George Wolfe of Deadwood, South Dakota, and (2) Jesse Wolfe of Salt Lake City, Utah.

8. Joseph Sylvester Seely, born Oct. 18, 1841, married, first, Oct. 30, 1877, Mrs. Esther Nettleton, who died within two years; second, Mrs. Kate Williams in 1880. He died September 17, 1889, and his body was buried at Greeley, Colorado. He had one daughter May Seely, born May 16, 1879, at Greeley, according to her cousin, Mrs. P. Mercer. May Seely married and lived in Denver, but the name of her husband or their residence now is not known to the writer.

9. Julia Celestia, born June 15, 1844, died June 27, 1853, the body being interred at Rome.

10. Elissa Iszilla, born July 12, 1847, died in childhood at Rome, March 18, 1859.

11. Isaac Jackson, born Dec. 6, 1849, married first, Sept. 16, 1874, Sarah Tompson, who died in 1876 aged 20 years; and second, Sept. 25, 1878 Margaret McKinney, daughter of John H. and Mary C. (Craus) McKinney of Litchfield, Pa. Isaac Seely died April 1, 1933 and burial was at Rome. Two children born to Isaac J. and Margaret (McKinney) Seely were: Joseph Clyde, born March 28, 1884; and Edna Beatrice, born Sept. 21, 1889. J. Clyde Seely married June 16, 1906 at Binghamton, N. Y., Ethel Seaman Johnson, and they live at 321 S. Litus Ave., Ithaca, N. Y., and have one son Ralph, born Oct. 10, 1907, who married Dec. 12, 1928 Helen Clare Willsey. The latter live at 87 Brighton Ave., Allston, Mass., and have two children, Joe and Kay. Edna Beatrice Seely, daughter of Isaac Jackson Seely, married May 3,

1917, David Mossman Trumble. They live at 169 Main St., Owego, N. Y. Mrs. Trumble furnished the following account.

Captain Robert Seely, who was the ancestor of Joseph Seely, was born in England in 1601, and died in New York City in 1667. His wife Mary and two sons came to America with him in Winthrop's fleet of 900 in 1630. Robert Seely was the confidential agent of Chaddock, who financed the fleet. He brought with him one servant of whom there is record, but he may have brought more. He married in England but the last name of his wife is unknown. His second marriage was Dec. 22, 1666, to Mary (Manning) Walker, a widow, and sister of Captain John Manning. He resided in Watertown, Mass. 1631-1634; Wethersfield, Conn. 1635; New Haven Colony, Conn. 1639; Saybrook, Conn. 1662; Huntington, Long Island, 1666. His first wife died in New Haven Colony between March, 1647 and 1651.

Captain Robert Seely and his family sailed from London, England, Monday March 29, and from the Isle of Wight, April 1, 1630 in a ship "Arabella," named for Lady Arabella Lincoln Johnson who was a passenger in the same ship, arriving at Salem, Mass., June 12, 1630. He was one of the first of the 25 freemen in Watertown, Mass., May 18, 1631. He was quite prominent in affairs, owning considerable property. In 1635 he was one of seven families that settled Wethersfield, Conn.

Shortly he became prominent in New Haven Colony and his name is the 14th in the original list of freemen who signed June 4, 1639 the "Fundamental Agreement," a remarkable document in the history of civil government. He is mentioned in "Brief History of the Pequot War" by Major John Mason. He was next in command to Mason of the troops against the Pequots. He returned to England after the death of his first wife, but returned again to America and was prominent in Colonial military life. Much has been written about him.

A. MILTON WATTLES was Arunah Milton Wattles, son of Arunah Wattles, who was the son of Dan and Cynthia Williams Wattles. Dan was the first of two sons of John Wattles who came from Scotland to Connecticut. Dan's brother was named John. Dan was born at Lebanon, Conn. in 1761. His

wife Cynthia Williams was a niece of Rev. Roger Williams, Baptist founder of Rhode Island as a refuge for religious liberty, after fleeing persecution in Massachusetts Bay Colony. Children of Dan and Cynthia Wattles were: Polly, born 1791; John, Arunah, Adoshes, Caroline, and Catherine. Dan died in 1839 in Tioga County. Cynthia died in 1848, with burial at Wysox.

Arunah Wattles came to Bradford county with his parents. He at first located on Pond Hill, then settled in Rome township on land now owned and occupied by Leon Bidlack and engaged in farming and lumbering till his death Sept. 16, 1853 in his 59th year. He took an active interest in public affairs, being for many years a justice of the peace. He served one term as county auditor and two terms as state representative. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth (Eiklor) Allen. She died July 21, 1863 in her 72d year. They had the following children: William Allen, John Mason, David Miner, Arunah Milton, Albina (died aged 35), Caroline, DeWitt Clinton, Elizabeth Emily, and Adeline (died aged 3). William died unmarried Feb. 12, 1837 aged 23 years, and Adeline when 3. John Mason married Amanda Pierce of Wysox and lived and died there. Two others died in childhood; Cynthia, 1836, aged 2 years; and Edward M., 1829, aged 5 years. Their graves are in the old Woodburn cemetery at Rome. David Miner Wattles married Louise Cranmer of Rome, and had no children. Arunah Milton Wattles married Charlotte Ransom of Orwell and died in 1889 at the age of 62. Their children were: Cynthia, who married Leander Maynard and had one daughter, Uleta who married Dayton W. Allen; Libbie, who married a Mr. Blocher and moved to Chicago, and William, who moved to Florida a few years ago.

Caroline Wattles married Nov. 12, 1845 Lewis Thatcher Lent, son of Tobias and Lucy (Thatcher) Lent, and grandson of Thomas and Nancy (Lewis) Thatcher, whose gravestones are in the Orwell Valley Cemetery, formerly called Ransom Corners Cemetery. Lewis T. and Caroline Lent were the parents of Mrs. Libbie Maynard (wife of M. L.); Miss Caroline Lent of Rome, a present member of the Rome church; Alice Letta, who married Charles H. Stevens of Standing Stone (a son Lewis sur-

vives); Ada Albina, born 1852, married Charles Fox, a farmer of Wysox; Edith Ethleen, born 1854, married Miles B. Caswell, who died in Colorado. Lewis T. Lent died in 1907 aged 83; his wife died Feb. 20, 1916, 90 years old.

DeWitt Clinton Wattles, born July 8, 1828, married Olive Carter and lived in Rome, where he died in 1907. He was the grandfather of Mrs. Bert Conklin, a present member of the church, and father of Adeline Estella, born Jan. 1, 1850, Delphine, and Bernice Wattles. Adeline Estella married Nov. 8, 1870 Ransford R. Dimon, born Sept. 18, 1847, of Warren township, who came to Rome at the age of twenty. They were married by the Rev. William Shelp, grandfather of Mrs. Grace Daugherty of Rome. They were the parents of Lizzie Pearl, born Sept. 16, 1871; Leslie Clinton, born Aug. 16, 1872; and Allen Percy Dimon, born June 7, 1884.

Lizzie Pearl Dimon married Jan. 20, 1891 Bert Conklin, son of Dr. Gustavus Conklin of Orwell, the service being performed by the Rev. J. B. Davis at Nichols, N. Y. Their children were all born in Orwell township where Mr. Reece Clark now lives: (1) Beatrice Vivian Conklin, born May 25, 1892, married June 23, 1920 Lafayette Charles Gori of Ulster, born April 9, 1889; she died May 12, 1937 at Norwich, N. Y. (2) Dr. Stanley DeWitt Conklin, born Oct. 11, 1894, married June 16, 1920 Vivian Elizabeth Brown, born Jan. 24, 1898, the daughter of Frank H. and Kate (Eastman) Brown of Orwell, and they have a son, Stanley Brown Conklin, born April 5, 1921, in 1940 a student at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Stanley D. Conklin is on the staff of the Robert Packer Hospital at Sayre, Pa. (3) Manley Conklin, born Jan. 26, 1896, married March 20, 1918, Cynthia Irene Coates at Susquehanna, Pa., and they have two children,—Jane Francis, born Feb. 5, 1920, and Robert Manley, born April 11, 1925, at Johnson City, N. Y. (4) Leree Estella Conklin, born Dec. 21, 1904, married William Lentz, and has a son, William Manley, born Nov. 18, 1932, and baptized June 17, 1934 in the Rome Church of which his mother is a member. Leree was named for Miss Leree Chase, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chase of Taylor Hill, now a missionary in Iran.

Leslie Clinton Dimon married Alice Ford, born Jan. 7, 1869 the daughter of David and Elizabeth (Overpeck) Ford of Orwell, and they live in Rome borough, where also three of their four children reside. The four children are married as follows.

(1) Harry, born June 22, 1895, married Ruth Marie Buttles who was born July 7, 1898 the daughter of Charles L. and Jessie A. (Towner) Buttles. He is the owner and proprietor of Rome Sales and Service. They have two daughters, Rosemary, born Feb. 14, 1921 a student of Mansfield State Teacher's College, and Jean Isabel, born Feb. 21, 1923, a graduate of Rome High School.

(2) Clinton Milo Dimon, second son of Leslie and Alice Dimon, was born Aug. 21, 1898, and married June 21, 1922 Edna Ellis, born Aug. 18, 1899 the daughter of Fred and Mary (Carlin) Ellis of Black Walnut, Pa. They have a daughter, Barbara Ann, born Sept. 27, 1927. He operates a barber shop in Rome. (3) Leon C. Dimon, born Aug. 18, 1901, married Geraldine, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Strope) Lenox of Ulster, Pa., they operate a farm in Rome Township near Allis Hollow and have three children,—Alice Elizabeth, born Oct. 31, 1925; James Leslie, born Jan. 6, 1928; and Richard Hugh, born Feb. 6, 1936. (4) Grace Arlene Dimon, born Jan. 21, 1912, married Mr. Franklin Badger a linotype operator (born May 28, 1910), of Towanda, Pa., Jan. 21, 1930. They have a daughter, Joyce Ann Badger, born Sept. 27, 1935.

Allen Percy Dimon, son of Ransford and Adeline Estella ("Addie") Wattles Dimon, married September, 1907 Bessie Ardell Goodwin who was born in Montrose, Pa., May 16, 1885. To them have been born two children: (1) Boyd Goodwin Dimon, born Feb. 19, 1911, in what was then called Lestershire, and now Johnson City, N. Y., married June 6, 1936 Corinne Beach, who was born in Binghamton Nov. 5, 1915; and (2) Jeanette Louise Dimon, born Sept. 6, 1916 in Johnson City, married Aug. 14, 1937 to Earl W. George, born Oct. 3, 1914 in Johnson City. To them has been born a daughter, Connie Jean George, Oct. 5, 1938.

Delphine Wattles, daughter of DeWitt Clinton and Olive Carter Wattles, was born Sept. 9, 1851 and married Allen W. Woodburn, son of J. W. Woodburn, lived across from the present post office, and had two sons, John Wattles Woodburn and Dr. Wilton Woodburn, the latter born Aug. 24, 1880, died March 20, 1938 in Pittsburgh, Pa. He married Georgia Gueppner and two children survive, with her: Gretta Marjorie, born Jan. 12, 1924; and Wilton Allen, Jr., born Nov. 2, 1926. Mrs. Woodburn, known as "Della," died Sept. 2, 1932. John W. Woodburn was married Oct. 1, 1896 by Rev. F. E. Bessey to Mamie Kilmer, and they had four children: (1) Emma, born Feb. 18, 1898, married Leonard Mott, has a son, John Edward born Aug. 17, 1921; (2) Edward, born April 12, 1899, married Lillian Chaffee, born Dec. 27, 1903, and having two daughters, Margaret Elizabeth, born June 9, 1932, and Ruth Ann, born Feb. 27, 1935; (3) Olive, born Aug. 14, 1900, married A. J. Whitney, and having two sons, Andrew Jackson, Jr., born Jan. 4, 1924, and William Cranmer, born March 1, 1926; (4) Marie, born Oct. 14, 1901, married Richard Johnson of Whitney Point, N. Y., and having two children—Mary Elizabeth, born Oct. 23, 1931, and Richard Amos, May 30, 1939. John W. Woodburn, born March 6, 1875, died Dec. 27, 1905.

Bernice Wattles, sister of Delphine, was born June 6, 1853, married Enridge Seely, son of Silas, and had four children, Christine, Olive, who married William C. Timmons and lives in Fort Worth, Texas, Bernice (Mrs. E. J. Logue), and a son Robert, who lives in Seattle, Washington.

Elizabeth Emily Wattles, born in 1832, the daughter of Arunah and Elizabeth (Allen) Wattles, married April 18, 1852 William Edwin Woodburn, son of Moses and Esther (Whitney). Woodburn, had one child when they moved to a farm near Harrisburg, Iowa, where four others were born to them. She died there June 17, 1876 at the age of 44. The names of her children are: Lawrence Clinton, Lewis Fremont, Frances Augusta, William Walter, Theodore DeWitt, all of whom had families in Iowa except William, who died as an infant. Mildred Woodburn, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has written and published a history of the Wood-

burn family. She is the daughter of Lewis Fremont Woodburn. Her street address is 2100 Johnson Ave.

A minute book of the Rome township schools records a visitation by a director to a school in District No. 7, or East Rome (Taylor Hill), taught by Miss Elizabeth Wattles, under date of June 1, 1851, when Miss Wattles was 19 years old, a year before her marriage. "District No. 7, June 1, 1851 Miss Elizabeth Wattles Teacher. Visited School. Teacher is endeavoring to do her duty. Schollars mostly small, average No. 20 Six in their A. B. C.—3 in Grammar, one in Geography School rather Noisy Teachers Character good.

Wm. E. Maynard Dir."

H. Hicks was Hugh Hicks, who was born Dec. 8, 1804, married Sept. 4, 1831 Catherine Miller who was born Feb. 27, 1814, and died Jan. 17, 1897. He died in 1877. Hugh worked on a canal boat, his wife being on the boat with him as cook. When their fourth child was about to be born they left the canal boat and took up residence in the house in Wysox across from the residence of the late Jesse Coolbaugh, where Frederick Miller Hicks was born July 21, 1847. He married Charlotte Mann, and was the father of George of Rome. Hugh Hicks worked for John Passmore who built the canal. Hugh Hicks came to Rome to manage a hotel for Mr. Passmore in the late residence of Mrs. Lizzie Glenn, now the property of Dr. I. V. Stoll. His other children were: Sarah, who married first William Crawford, second, William Stevens whose daughter lives in East Towanda; Jane Passmore Hicks, who married in 1866 George Owen of Monroeton; George S. Hicks, who married Susie Reed; Norman Passmore Hicks married Feb. 3, 1875 Henrietta Peckham of Wilkes-Barre, had four children, three daughters and one son. He died aged 89, Dec. 30, 1940 at the home of his son Norman P., Jr., at Rutherford, N. J. Burial was at Tunkhannock, Pa.

J. M. Hicks was the son of John and Nancy Hicks of North Rome. He had a brother George (Heverly, *History of Bradford County*, p. 428). John M. Hicks married Eunice, daughter of John Sebastian Forbes who was born in Brunswick, Germany,

and who was impressed into the British military forces, from which he deserted to espouse the cause of the American colonies. John M. Hicks settled on the Joseph Allen place, built a factory, and manufactured furniture. He died June 6, 1875 aged 86 years old, and was buried on Towner Hill. He had three sons, Albert, Alfred and Jackson; and five daughters. (Heverly, *Pioneer and Patriot Families, Bradford County, Pa.*) Albert married Hannah, daughter of George Willys Eastman. She was born May 17, 1813.

Anson Collins was a member of the Orwell and Warren Congregational church, having joined March 25, 1821. His wife was Ruth M. Sexton. They lived at the corner near the home of Harold Fields near the township line. He had a son Anson R. Collins who lived in Rome where Mrs. Julia Anez now resides.

Reuben Russell, a carpenter and farmer, was the son of Mike and Polly (Green) Russell according to Heverly (*Pioneer and Patriot Families*, Vol. I, p. 393). He lived at what was called "Rube Russell's Corners," on property now owned by his grandson, Fred Russell.

E. A. Ridgway was Edwin, the son of David and Rachel (Dubois) Ridgway, and half-brother of Aunt Betsy (Dubois) Allen, wife of Peter Allen. Betsy's mother was a widow when married to David Ridgway. Her first husband's name was Dubois, according to Mrs. Walter Irving, Binghamton, N. Y. E. A. Ridgway was superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School in 1850, subscribed \$40 to the Methodist building fund, 1849. He lived on the road leading to North Rome, just above Goff's Grove. He was a school director.

Harry Strobe lived in Wysox where Charles Tuttle now lives, his farm extending to the Presbyterian parsonage lot. He was the sixth child of Henry and Catherine (Fox) Strobe. (*Wysox Church History*, p. 26.)

Peter Vought, son of Achatias, was a farmer on Vought Hill, the farm now being operated by a family named Young. He subscribed sixty dollars for the erection of the Methodist Church. He was the grandfather of Alvah and Clarence Vought, and of

Rev. L. L. Vought. Nehemiah was a brother of Peter, whose picture appears in Craft's *History of Bradford County*, page 354.

Enoch Towner was the second son of Elijah an early settler on Towner Hill. His portrait faces page 360 in Craft's *History*. He had a son, Enoch, Jr. Another son, Martin Van Buren Towner is thought to be a relative of his namesake, the president of the United States. Daniel B. Towner, of this family, was a noted gospel song composer. One well known number is "Trust and Obey."

Joseph Elliott was the son of William and Lucretia (Lowry) Elliott of Bullard Creek. He was a brother of Larmion H., at whose suggestion Rome received its township name. He lived on his 102 acre farm valued for taxation at \$937.

M. B. Prince was Merrick B. Prince who died May 20, 1862, aged 57 years. His wife, Harriet, daughter of Dan and Polly (Chubbuck) Russell, was born Feb. 6, 1804 and died April 5, 1863, with interment at Rome. They were the parents of L. D. Prince, and grandparents of John Martin Prince (1858-1926), and Polly, first wife of Lorenzo D. Strope of Towanda.

Sanford Prince died May 26, 1872 aged 69 years, and his wife Matilda, died Oct. 30, 1863, aged 51 years.

John Prince was assessed for \$110 on 47 acres of land.

Dan Russell was the first settler of Orwell township, at the foot of Orwell hill. He died in 1851 at the age of 81. He had a son Daniel who married Deborah Ann Forbes of Rome. Loyal F. Russell was the son of the younger Daniel.

Jabez E. Sexton was the son of William and Tamasin Sexton of Orwell township. His daughter Ruth married Anson Collins; and his daughter Docia married Comfort Bliss Chaffee. (*Heverly*, Vol. II, p. 432.)

Harry Clark was the grandson of Barnabas Clark, a pioneer of Standing Stone township, and the son of Eliphalet and Lois (Parks) Clark, who came to Rome 1811. He married Ellen Brown.

Daniel Hill was a son of John Hill, a native of Massachusetts, who came in 1812 to Orwell with his wife Rhoda. In 1847

he was assessed \$75 for 40 acres unimproved land in Rome Township. His son Daniel, Jr., was assessed \$237 for a farm of 61 acres.

N. Hemmingway may have been related to Thaddeus Hemmeway of Sheshequin, a Revolutionary soldier who had six children: Sarah, John, Joseph, Levi, Lavina, William. (Heverly, *Pioneer Families*, Vol. II, p. 144.)

John Gore was one of four sons, who served in the Civil War, of Silas and Catherine (Elliott) Gore. (Heverly, *Pioneer Families*, Vol I, p. 129.) Silas came to Rome in 1811. He was a blacksmith and inventive genius. He had 54 acres in 1847.

D. N. Miller, a blacksmith, lived opposite the home of U. M. Holmes. He was born at Mt. Pleasant, Pa., his father having been in the Battle of Wyoming, according to Mrs. Cora Marsh, his granddaughter. His wife was Maria Maynard, a native of Vermont, the daughter of Nathan and Hannah (Streator) Maynard, descended from Jonathan Edwards, celebrated divine of Massachusetts. He was the great-grandfather of Bert Miller and Paul M. Barnes of Rome.

Danford Chaffee lived in the residence now occupied by James P. Allen, and operated a wagon and general shop which stood on that property. Water power used was transmitted from Wysox Creek by a race to a small artificial body of water known as Chaffee's pond which covered over the land in the rear now cultivated as the garden spot of Mr. Allen and of Frank Barnes. He subscribed fifty dollars for the Methodist Church building. Mr. Chaffee acted as undertaker, the coffins being made in his shop as occasion demanded. He married Deborah Rockwell, daughter of Simeon. He was the grandfather of Claude B. Wilmot, and great-grandfather of Roe W. Russell.

W. W. Woodburn was Warner W. Woodburn, a son of John Woodburn. He married first Caroline Case, second, Ellen Vought of Rome. He lived where his daughter, Mrs. Burt Goff, resides. His first wife's gravestone is in the old family cemetery opposite the Parks place in the southern part of Rome borough. She died Aug. 1, 1850, aged 24 years. His assessment of \$678 was for

35 acres improved, 54 unimproved land, 1 house, 2 horses, 2 cows, and one-fourth interest in a saw mill.

William Blend lived on a farm to the north of Rome. A descendant by the name of Robert lives in Towanda. William's son, Mervin, died Oct. 30, 1863 at Washington, D. C., from wounds received in the campaign of the Rapidan. Co. I, 141 Pa. Inf. Vol.

Philander Robinson lived near Allis Hollow. He married Armenia Brown, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and had a son George.

Alanson Whitney, born July 1, 1801, the son of Elisha and Esther (Clark) Whitney, married Dec. 18, 1828 Laura Towner, whose grave is in the Towner Hill cemetery, daughter of Enoch Towner, and spent his last days at Monroeton, Pa. His children were: Electa, Franklin, Emiline and Clara.

Alanson Whitney's daughter Emiline married Henry Clay Chubbuck. Three children were born to them: (1) Alanson, who lived at Athens, had a son, L. T. Chubbuck, a grocer of Towanda who has four children: Grace, Gerald, Doris, and Donald; (2) George Chubbuck, who married had a son who died; and (3) Laura Chubbuck, who married Daniel Kline, had a daughter Miss Cora C. Kline. Mr. Kline died and Laura married second, C. H. Kulp, and lives at 541 Johnson St., Freeland Pa. George, his wife and son are all deceased. Alanson Chubbuck died March 28, 1942. Burial was at Monroeton, Pa.

Alanson Whitney's daughter Clara married first, George William Mingos and had three sons. (1) W. Leslie Mingos married Miss Bernice Grenell (now Mrs. D. W. Cowles of Orwell). Two sons were born to them: Lindrof G. and Max A. Mingos. Max has a daughter, Rowena. W. Leslie Mingos died in 1915. (2) Perry C. Mingos married Mae Eastman of Burlington, had a daughter Laura and a son Arthur. Laura married Millard Marvin and had two children: Anna Mae and a son, Millard, Jr. Arthur lives at Athens, Pa. He married Marion Malone, has two children: Mary Clara and Gerald. Laura Marvin died. (3) Frank M. Mingos married Marion McDonald and they had three children: James, who has eight children and lives at Luther's

Mills, Pa.; Helen, who is a teacher, married James Minard; and Clara, who lives with her father at Athens and has a beauty parlor. After the death of George William Mingos, his widow, Clara Mingos, married Eli Gale.

S. F. Washburn was Silas Washburn who lived where Dr. I. V. Stoll and family now reside. He was a brother of Flavilla.

Nathan Maynard sold the land for the erection of the first Presbyterian church building, in the upper part of the village. He was a blacksmith, born in Vermont, and married first Hannah Streator, a descendant of the Rev. Jonathan Edwards, famous New England divine, settled in Orwell first, and moved in 1830 to Rome village. He died in 1855 aged 72. By his first wife he had six children: Maria, who married Dan Miller; Harriet, who married Edwin A. Ridgway; Hiram, who went west; Pierpont, who married Laura Washburn; William E., who married Nancy Cranmer; Lemuel S., who married Amanda E. Cranmer. Pierpont and Laura (Washburn) Maynard were grandparents of Mrs. Willard Lott (nee Rena Maynard) of Orwell.

By his second wife, Lydia Prince, Nathan Maynard had six children: Freeman, who married Sarah Tomkins; A. Jackson, who married Gulyelma Woodburn (daughter of Hiram and Jane (Ridgway) Woodburn, and moved to Rockford, Illinois; Orson and Julius, who went west; Dayton, who died young; and Hiram. (Heverly, *Pioneer and Patriot Families*.)

Simeon Rockwell, farmer, lived on the property at the foot of Orwell hill. He subscribed \$15 for the Rome Methodist Church building. He was the father of H. D. Rockwell, who married Clarissa Allis, and he was the grandfather of Mrs. Belle Cannan of Rome, daughter of William P. Rockwell.

John W. Woodburn resided at the corner of the main road of the valley and the Taylor Hill road, and was known as "Square" Woodburn, being the Justice of the Peace and a man of means and influence in the borough, before whom the deed for the church lot was acknowledged. He was the great-grandfather of Edward Woodburn of Rome and of Mrs. A. J. Whitney of Williamsport.

Godfrey Vought, a farmer, had his residence at the site of Claude B. Wilmot's residence. His wife was Polly Croft, granddaughter of the Duke of Baden, Germany. He died in 1849 in his eighty-ninth year. He was the great-grandfather of Mrs. G. W. Chase and Mrs. Minnie Truesdale of Taylor Hill and Miss Ruth Whitney and the great-great-grandfather of A. J. and Richard Whitney and Sarah Whitney (wife of Dr. R. L. Scott of Buffalo, N. Y.). He and his wife donated the land, valued at \$100, for the erection of the Rome Methodist Church in 1849.

Joseph Vought was the first born son of Achatias Vought and lived in Rome township on Parks Creek up "Vought Hollow." Mrs. Hannah Bixby and Miss Polly Russell, granddaughters, reside on his farm and Mr. U. G. Russell, a grandson, lives near the old homestead. He was the great-grandfather of Roe W. Russell, Otto Russell, and Irving Bixby.

Peter Allen, great-grandfather of Mrs. Lizzie Watson, was one of the influential men of early Rome, the son of Jesse and Elizabeth (Eiklor) Allen of Pond Hill (Lake Wesauking). His father, Jesse, was a nephew of Ethan Allen of the "Green Mountain Boys," of Vermont. His residence was at the present U. M. Holmes farmstead. He was appointed the first postmaster of Rome, June 11, 1831. His daughter, Rachel Allen, married Oscar F. Young.

David Eiklor was the son of Frederick, and was another subscriber to the Methodist Church erected in 1849. The name AIKLOR is found on an old stone in the Woodburn cemetery at Rome, with the inscription, "Died April the 6, 1831." David was taxed for 80 acres of land, 2 oxen and 1 cow in 1848, with an assessed valuation of \$267.

Smith Forbes was the grandfather of Smith Angel Forbes of Wysox township, owner of the farm where once was Fencel's Castle. He was the grandson of John Sebastian Forbes, and son of Earnest who married Polly Smith. He was assessed for 97 acres of land, one house and one cow.

Joseph Allen was the son of Stephen, and father of Dayton, J. B., Sarah, S. O., J. H., Clarissa, Jemima (married J. C.

Forbes), and J. A. Allen (Bradsby, *History of Bradford County*, p. 561). He lived near Gillet Bridge. He was assessed for 183 acres, 2 houses, 3 horses, 3 cows, one-fourth interest in a saw mill, all valued at \$1,672.

William Trip was the son of "Peleg and Mary (Seely) Tripp of New York, whose family consisted of 11 children of whom six reached maturity: Seymore, Nancy M. (married Feb. 3, 1869 Tracy J. Chubbuck of Orwell), William, Jonathan, Jacob and Emma (married Nathan Grant)." (Bradsby, p. 717).

Charles C. Lent may have been the son of James and Chloe (Parks) Lent, first couple married in Rome township. They had a son by the name of Charles. (Lent Genealogy of Mrs. Rhoda Lent Barnes.) C. C. Lent had 45 acres improved, 37 unimproved land, a house, 2 cows, and 2 oxen.

Richard Lent was assessed for 160 acres of land, 1 house, 2 horses, 1 ox, 1 cow, and one-third interest in a saw mill.

H. H. Mann, who subscribed \$25, may have been Hiram Hill Mann, the brother of Mrs. George W. Eastman, the first and sixth of twelve or thirteen children born to Calvin and Hartie (Hill) Mann. The remains of Hannah Eliza, the wife of Hiram Hill Mann rest in the Rome cemetery, according to George U. Eastman. Samuel, fourth child of Calvin, was the father of Charlotte, Mrs. Fred M. Hicks. Samuel went west in the gold rush of '49, returned in a few years. He was a carpenter and had undertaker's rooms in the Rome Academy building.

On Jan. 20, 1845 the Presbyterian Society met at the store of John Passmore to superintend the building of the church, G. W. Eastman, D. Chaffee, C. Taylor, John Passmore, and John Vought. In October Mr. O. F. Young was elected to take the place of Charles Taylor who chose not to act.

A plot of ground was purchased from Nathan and Lydia Maynard, a copy of deed for which is as follows:

DEED TO FIRST CHURCH LOT, April 28, 1846

This Indenture made the 28th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six Between Nathan

Maynard and Lydia his wife of the Township of Rome County of Bradford and State of Pennsylvania of the first part and B. Gates, Geo. W. Eastman, John Vought, John Passmore and Peter Allen the acting Trustees of the Presbyterian Society in Rome Township County and State aforesaid and their successors in office of the second part Witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of fifteen dollars and two shares in the house of worship erected for the use and benefit of the Presbyterian Church and Congregation in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained and sold released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell release and confirm unto the said party of the second part or their successors in office two thirds of all that certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the Township aforesaid—Beginning at the North East Corner of a farm formerly owned by Matthew Cannon deceased thence north forty-two degrees East along the public highway one hundred and twenty feet thence north forty eight degrees west one hundred and fifty feet thence south forty-two degrees west one hundred and twenty feet thence south forty eight degrees east one hundred and fifty two feet to the place of beginning and the said party of the first part doth hereby forever quit claim all their rights title interest, and claim to the other third part together with all and singular the hereditiments and appurtenances, remainders reversions rents issues and the profits thereof to have and to hold the premises hereby granted with appurtenances unto the said party of the second part or their successors in office or their heirs and assigns forever and the said party of the first part their heirs and assigns the premises hereby granted with the appurtenances against all claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof to the said party of the second part or their successors shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In Witness whereof the said parties of the first part have heretofore interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Witness J. W. Woodburn
F. W. Maynard

Nathan Maynard (Seal)
Lydia Maynard (Seal)

the words 'east & second')
were interlined before sign-)
ing also the words "with) Bradford County S S
all & singular the herediti-)
ments & appurtenances" were)
interlined before signing)

Personally appeared before me

J. W. Woodburn a Justice of the Peace in and for said County
Nathan Maynard and Lydia his wife and acknowledge the foregoing Indenture to be their act & Deed desired to same might be recorded as such the said Lydia being of lawful age and the contents

of the said Indenture being made known unto her and being examined by me thereon separate and apart from her said husband declared she did sign the same without any coercion or compulsion from her said husband.

Witness my hand and seal this 20th Day of June — AD 1846.

J. W. Woodburn (Seal)

Bradford County S S

Recorded July 7th 1846 in the office for Recording deeds &c in and for said County in Deed book No. 24 page 541. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Towanda the date aforesaid.

S. E. De Wolf Recorder
By H. C. Kelly Deputy

The Society of the Presbyterian Church and Congregation adopted a charter of incorporation on April 21, 1845, as follows:

CHARTER OF THE ROME PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To All to Whom These Presents shall come, Greeting—

Know ye that we whose names are hereunto subscribed, citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having associated ourselves together, for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God, agreeably to the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and being desirous of acquiring the powers and immunities of a body politic in law according to the form of an act of Assembly of the said Commonwealth, passed the sixth day of April Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, Do hereby declare that we have associated ourselves together for the purpose aforesaid, by the name, style, title and under the conditions following—that is to say—

ARTICLE I. The name of this corporation & body politic shall be **"The First Presbyterian Church & Congregation of Rome,"** in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

ARTICLE II. The subscribers, and such others, being citizens of the said Commonwealth, as shall hereafter become members of the Congregation, and who maintain and adhere to the system of doctrine adopted by the Presbyterian Church, and contained in the Westminster Confession and Catechisms, shall become and be a body politic, or corporation in law & fact to have continuance by the name, style & title of **"The First Presbyterian Church & Congregation of Rome."**

ARTICLE III. The subscribers and their successors shall have full power to have & use a common Seal, with such device, design &

figure thereon as to them shall seem proper, will full power to alter the same; & also by the name of the First Presbyterian Church and Congregation of Rome to sue and be impleaded in any court of justice; & to make by-laws for the management of their concerns in as full & ample a manner as any corporate body in this commonwealth can do: Provided, they be not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, of the Commonwealth and of this instrument.

ARTICLE IV. The subscribers and their successors by the name style & title declared as aforesaid shall be able and capable in law, according to the terms and conditions of this instrument, to take and hold lands and tenements, goods & chattles, real & personal, & mixed which are now, or hereafter may become the property of the said corporation or body politic by purchase, gift, device, or bequest; & the same to grant, sell, convey, lay out, apply & dispose of in such manner as the said corporation may think proper; but always according to the intent of the Grantors, Devisors, & persons giving, devising or bequeathing property to the said corporation: Provided that the yearly income of such lands and tenements, real & personal estate, shall not exceed the sum of Five Hundred Pounds.

ARTICLE V. The affairs of the said Corporation shall be managed and superintended by five trustees a majority of whom shall be members of the Presbyterian Church in Rome, in good & regular standing, and the others shall belong to the congregation worshipping with the said church. The Trustees shall choose from among themselves a President & Secretary, & shall choose a Treasurer from the members of the congregation who is not a Trustee, to account to them for all monies coming into his hands, & if required, to give security.

ARTICLE VI. In case of removal of the President or any of the Trustees, or any other officer of the corporation, or in case of their death, resignation, or being otherwise incapacitated to act, the vacancy, or vacancies shall be supplied by the remaining Trustees, until the next annual election; which shall be held on the first Monday of January each year.

ARTICLE VII. B. Gates, G. W. Eastman, John Vought, John Passmore & Peter Allen shall be the Trustees, until others shall be chosen in the manner hereinafter described; that is to say—The said B. Gates shall hold his office till the first Monday of Jany. A. D. 1851. The said G. W. Eastman shall hold his office until the first Monday of Jany. 1850. The said John Vought shall hold his office until the first Monday of Jany. 1849. The said John Passmore shall hold his office until the first Monday of Jany. 1848. The said Peter Allen until the first Monday of Jany. 1847. And on the several days and times aforesaid, & and on the same days yearly thereafter, the members of the said congregation shall at a general meeting thereof, elect by ballot, a person to serve as Trustee, to continue in office Five years; & to fill all vacancies which may have happened, in a manner before mentioned.

ARTICLE VIII. All elections shall be by ballot, & shall be conducted by three members of the congregation, who shall be appointed Inspectors at the same place where Trustees are to be elected, by the electors there assembled; in such manner as may be agreed on, by such electors; and the Inspectors so chosen may appoint one or more clerks to perform such duties as the nature of case may require. The subscribers to this Instrument and their successors, and any person owning or renting a pew or seat, in the church, or contributing not less than two dollars annually to the support of the minister of the same, Provided he statedly worship with the congregation not less than six months in the year preceding such election, shall be entitled to vote at all elections for Trustees, & at any general meeting of the congregation; and at the close of such elections due notice shall be given by the Inspectors to the Trustees, of their respective elections; & should the congregation neglect to elect the Trustees on the day of the annual elections, the Trustees shall appoint any subsequent time when the said election shall be held,—Provided public notice shall be given on the Lord's day, either before or after divine service, or in such manner as a majority of the Trustees may direct, at least one week previous to the time of holding elections. All by-laws and ordinances of the corporation shall be fully entered & registered by the Secretary, in a book to be provided for that purpose: which book and other Records of the Corporation shall be open for the inspection of any member of the Corporation; and the Inspectors of Election shall judge of the qualification of voters, & the Secretary shall keep a list of all persons entitled to vote at any of the said elections.

ARTICLE IX. The Board of Trustees shall meet as often as business may require, a majority of whom shall form a quorum, & the power of the Trustees shall extend to making by-laws for the government of themselves, and the temporal concerns of the Church and Congregation.

ARTICLE X. Meetings of the Trustees may be called at any time by the President, or at the request of two members of the board; and congregational meetings may be called by the Trustees, or at the request of six members of the society; of which, at least, three days' Notice shall be given. And it shall be the duty of the Trustees to lay before the Congregation, at each annual meeting a full account of all the transactions of the past year.

ARTICLE XI. The choice of a Pastor shall be made according to the usage of the church, and the "Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church," and the amount & payment of the salary shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Congregation given at any general meeting for that purpose. (Subscribed are the following names:;) Bezaleel Gates, Solomon Spalding, Geo. W. Eastman, Chas. R. Bassett, O. F. Young, John Passmore, Peter Allen.

(Attached to this four page charter document is the application)
—To the Hon. the Judges of the Court of Com. Pleas in and for said County of Bradford, State of Penna.

We the Subscribers citizens of Said County having associated ourselves together for the object and purposes specified and set forth in the following (crossed out) Charter; Pray the Honorable Court to grant them a charter of Incorporation in accordance with the objects articles and conditions, within & above set forth, and in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Penna. passed the 13th day Oct. in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty, Entitled an act relating to Orphans Courts and for other purposes, and in duty bound will ever pray & c.

Rome April 21 1845.

Bezaleel Gates
Solomon Spalding
Geo. W. Eastman
Chas. R. Bassett
O. F. Young
Peter Allen
John Passmore

(Attached to the Application is the following):

Bradford Common Pleas)
Bradford County, Ss.)

And now, to wit, September 12, 1845 On due and legal proof having been made of the publication of notice agreeably to previous order of this Court—And the court being satisfied thereof—Do order and Declare that the persons associated agreeably to the articles and conditions in the within instrument, set forth and contained shall become a corporation or body politic. And the Court further direct that the aforesaid Charter of incorporation shall be recorded in the office for recording of deed in said County of Bradford. And on said instrument being so recorded, the persons so associated or meaning to associate, shall according to the objects and conditions in said instrument set forth and contained become and be a corporation or body politic in law and in fact to have continuance by the name, style & title of "The First Presbyterian Church and Congregation of Rome, Bradford County, Pa."

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy of the order & declaration of Court in the matter of the application of Bezaleel Gates and others to be incorporated under the style & title of "the First Presbyterian Church and congregation of Rome, Bradford County, Pa."

I hereto set my hand and the seal of the said court at Towanda the 12th day of September A D 1845.

Aaron Chubbuck, Prothonotary

(Prothonotary)
 (Seal of Brad-)
 (ford County)

Bradford County, ss.—Recorded September 24th 1845 in the
 (Recorders) office of said County in Deed Book
 (Seal Brad-) Vol 24—Page 134 & c.
 (ford Coun-) Witness My hand and official Seal
 (ty) the date aforesaid

Julius Russell, Recorder
 By C. S. Russell, Deputy

Filed May 6th 1845
 usual order
 cntd

Sept. 12, 1845 Done and
 order made—

Filed Sept. 24th 1845

Tax 50

Fees 2.00

2.50

The church building was erected on the lot now occupied by the house rented by Raymond F. Russell, the lumber of the old church having been used in the building of the dwelling house. The lot had 120 feet frontage. The pew doors of the old church went into the cupboards of the house which was built by Edison Rockwell, who sold to Dr. Fred W. Rice, who in turn sold to Mrs. Wellington Hillis, Rush, Pa. The same bell that was in the old church is now in the new brick church.

The building of the church progressed through the summer of 1845, from April to October. When the frame was reared, the Rev. Julius Foster of Towanda and the Rev. S. H. Hazard of Wysox, made speeches. The dedication was in February, 1846.

The denominational church extension committee allowed this project \$150 in aid of the cost. The Rev. Mr. Hazard, stated supply minister, donated or secured for the church one barrel of oil, some glass, and three kegs of white lead. Mr. Joseph Seely obtained sash from Wyalusing; Mr. John Passmore obtained \$100 cash from Towanda donors; Mr. O. F. Young, \$25 from Towanda also; and Mr. John Vought "something from Orwell."

By reason of the schism in the Presbyterian Assembly of 1837 the churches of that denomination became divided into New School and Old School groups, which kept separate existence until 1870. Sympathizers and partisans of both parties took occasion to hinder the work of the party opposite the one they favored, and one result was that some of the subscribers to the Rome church building fund would not pay up their subscriptions on the ground that the Rev. Mr. Welliver, New School minister at Wysox in 1846, was refused free access to the meeting house. The debt left on the hands of the building committee by this *impasse* was \$246.

In 1848 the Rome Academy was organized with the following as trustees: Joseph Allen, W. W. Kinney, Samuel C. Mann, Lemuel C. and William E. Maynard, and John W. and William W. Woodburn. In 1848 the total amount of tax valuation for the township assessed by O. F. Young, assessor, was \$68,080 on real estate and \$8,584 on personalty. The number of resident taxables was 256; non-resident, 22. Among the latter were William B. Clymer, Alexander Hamilton, and Smith Bloomfield.

Among other taxables listed were Nathaniel, Edwin and J. G. Hotchkiss. Edwin was a Methodist preacher, and a great-grand-uncle of the Rev. Roy H. Hotchkiss of Ulster, Pa.

New names appearing on the list of trustees elected from time to time were: John Frost (1854), E. N. Frost (1855), Judson Holcombe, Solomon Spalding, (1860), H. B. Osborne (1865), Dr. O. D. Styles (1869), Silas E. Seely (1871), J. R. Coolbaugh (1872).

J. R. Coolbaugh was Johnson Runyan Coolbaugh, born May 12, 1807, the son of Benjamin and Jerusha (Runyan) Coolbaugh, whose remains rest in the Wysox Church Cemetery. Johnson R. Coolbaugh married Malida Laura Maynard. They had no children and in Rome lived where Frank Barnes now lives. He died Dec. 17, 1885; she, Sept. 23, 1894; with burial at Rome. (Edward C. Hoagland, *The Coolbaugh Family in America*, 1686-1936, Wysox, Pa., 1938)

Judson Holcombe was the fourth child of six born to Hugh and Prudence (Bailey) Holcombe of Granville, Pa., and he married Dec. 25, 1845 Miss Maria Nobles of Cattaragus County, New York. (Heverly, *Pioneer Families*, Vol. I, p. 71) A relative, F. Leslie, lives on a farm in Rome township and his son, Guy Douglas, is employed at the Vandervort Mill at Wysox.

The following was written in a letter by Jennie M. Bolles, daughter of Aden and Mervil (Woodburn) Bolles, granddaughter of Hiram and Jane (Ridgeway) Woodburn: "David Ridgeway married Rachel Dubois, who was a widow with one child, Betsy Dubois. Betsy later married Peter Allen of Rome, Pa. Rachel's maiden name was Berger. Betsy was half-sister to Jane Ridgeway. Jane married Hiram Woodburn of Rome, Pa. Edwin married Harriet Maynard and settled in one of the western states."

CHAPTER III

EARLY PASTORS, 1846-1860

The Rev. S. H. Hazard of Wysox was minister in the year 1845, and continued for 1846. On Saturday, Jan. 31, 1846, Mrs. Betsy Spalding presented her certificate of dismission from the church of Orwell. Mr. John Frost and Jane O. Frost, his wife, and his mother, Mrs. Polly Frost, wife of Aaron, were received by the session as members by confession of faith.

The next day Mr. Aaron Frost appeared before the session of elders and applied for admission to the church, whereupon examination as to his acquaintance with experimental religion being sustained, he was received into the communion of the church. Mr. Erastus Lovet, Lucius Eastman and Sally his wife were received by certificate from other churches. Lucius was the younger brother of George Willys Eastman. He was born April 30, 1805 and died June 22, 1870; he was one of the 10 children of Justus Eastman, the last two of whom were by a second wife.

Mr. John Frost was the son of Aaron and Polly Frost and was born June 6, 1810, at Ludlow, Mass., and married Jane Wilsey, Feb. 12, 1834. He died in Lawrenceville, Tioga County, Pa., Jan. 11, 1858. Jane Wilsey, his wife, was born at Broome, N. Y., in June, 1805, and died in Rome, Pa., Oct. 17, 1859. John, a trustee of the church, was a brother of James O. Frost of Towanda. The six children of John and Jane Frost were all baptized by pastors of the Rome Church.

Aaron Frost, was born in Windsor, Conn., Nov. 5, 1778 and married Feb. 27, 1800, Polly Crow of Ellington, at East Windsor. She was born May 5, 1782. Aaron and Polly Frost had twelve children: Nancy, Candace, Maryan (who died at the age of seven months), Candace Maryan, Aaron Frost, 3rd, Mary Crow, John, Henry Franklin, Cynthia, William Hammond, James Otis, Eliot Newton Frost.

In February Mr. G. W. Eastman was appointed delegate to attend the presbytery which met Feb. 3, 1846 at Rome. On May 3, Joseph Eastman, son of Lucius and Sally Eastman was baptized. He died July 1, 1857 at the age of 16. Burial was at Bumpville. Mr. Henry W. Hine(s) and his wife, Mary Craw (Frost) Hines, daughter of Aaron, Jr., were received by letter from the Orwell Presbyterian Church. At this time Oscar F. Young succeeded Mr. Solomon Spalding as clerk of the session. He served till 1896.

On June 21, John I. Eastman, born Oct. 23, 1845, son of George W. and Lydia T. Eastman, was baptized. His middle name, Iveson, indicates he was named for the Rev. John Iveson who conducted the first communion service of this church three weeks after its organization.

Mrs. Sarah H. Chubbuck was accepted as a member upon profession of faith at a session meeting Dec. 27, 1846. Mr. C. R. Basset was given a letter to the church at Troy, Pa.

Mr. Silas Cook and his wife Sophronia were received as members April 24, 1847 by letter from Union, N. Y. The Rev. William Huntling presided at the meeting.

On Aug. 8, 1847 the Rev. John Iveson baptized Erasmus P., James E., and Harlow A. Hines, children of Henry W. and Mary C. Hines.

On Sunday, Oct. 17, 1847, "Mrs. Betsy Cannan, being apparently near her end, and having hope in Christ desired baptism and admission to the membership of the church." Her views being known to the session they were duly convened at her house, and the Rev. John Iveson administered the rite. She was the mother of Mervil Vought, who was the wife of John.

Mrs. Betsy Cannan was the wife of Matthew Cannan, who was a native of Ireland, came to Cherry Valley, N. Y., worked in Whitman's store and married the daughter of the proprietor. One record cited by George U. Eastman, gives her birthplace as Providence, Rhode Island.

At this place in the record appears the following minutes (Mr. Bronson was also serving the Wysox Church):

"Baptism by the Rev. E. Bronson in the School House near Mr. N. Chubbuck's—

Mary Louisa Frost, thirteen years old
Emiline Malthace Frost, nine years old
John Oscar Frost, seven years old
Martin Electus Frost, six years old
Clayton Wilsey Frost, three years old."

All were children of John and Jane (Wilsey) Frost. Mary Louisa Frost, born Nov., 1834, in Broome County, N. Y., the daughter of John and Jane Wilsey Frost, married Oct., 1855, in Owego, N. Y., Edgar Guernsey Nichols (brother of George of Rome). Edgar painted a picture of Rome about 1865. She died in Beauford, S. C., Oct. 31, 1905. Their children were Mary, Edgar, George, and Jennie.

(1) Mary Amanda Nichols, born in Knoxville, Tenn., married Israel Plummer Taft. They had 5 children, who now, with their families, live in various parts of Massachusetts and Connecticut: Annie Louise Taft, George Knowlton Taft, Jennie May Taft, and Edith Alston Taft. (Mrs. I. P. Taft lives at Norwich, Conn.)

(2) Edgar Wilsey Nichols, born in Knoxville, married Sabina Alston. They had 5 children: Edgar Nichols, George Guernsey Nichols, (George G. Nichols resides in New York City; the rest live in the South), Sabine Nichols, Sue Nichols, and Marianne Nichols.

(3) George Guernsey Nichols, born in Beaufort, S. C., was drowned when he was about 28 years of age.

(4) Jennie Emma, born in Beaufort, married William E. Bonneau. They had 7 children. They and their families, with one exception, live still in the South: Martha Louise Bonneau, Marguerite Bonneau, Marion Bonneau, William Nichols Bonneau, Grace Bonneau, Mary Emma Bonneau, and John Edgar Bonneau.

Emeline Malthace Frost, born July, 1838, in Orwell, Pa., married January, 1855, David L. Potter.

John Oscar Frost, born April, 1840 at Orwell, married at Hornbrook, Pa., Aug. 1862, Emma Ferguson, who died 1885,

aged 42. He married, second, Lucia Booth at Candor, N. Y., in 1886. He died July 3, 1898 at Candor.

Martin Electus Frost, born in Orwell, June 22, 1841, married April 22, 1864 at Forkville, Pa., Mary Warren who was born April 1, 1843 and died Dec. 29, 1910. She was the youngest daughter of Joseph and Eliza Warren, and a descendant of John and Margaret Warren of Watertown, Mass., 1630. Mr. Frost died March 5, 1914. Their six children were: (1) Frank Warren Frost, born Jan. 30, 1868, married 1888 Lena Dunbar, lived and died at Ithaca, N. Y.

(2) John O. Frost, born 1870, died 1889.

(3) Cora E. Frost, born June 27, 1872, married Dec. 25, 1892, Iram Collins, lived in Moscow, Idaho. (A daughter, Nellie Mae, married a Mr. Collins).

(4) Emma B. Frost, born Nov. 12, 1876, married Dec. 25, 1892, James Fritz. They lived in Gifford, Idaho, had three children, Marie Elizabeth (1893), Hazel Beatrice (1895), Hilda Mary (1903). Marie married, 1915, Jacob W. Timmons; Hazel, Robert Timmons, brother of Jacob.

(5) Maud Mary Frost, born Jan. 12, 1879, married March 9, 1898, Jesse Thomas, lived at Gifford, Idaho, had one child, Fred M. Thomas, born Dec. 19, 1900.

(6) Fred Martin Frost, son of Martin E. and Mary was born Jan. 3, 1882, married 1908, Elsie Winning. They had children—Beatrice Mary, born 1910, Frank Electus (1912), Connie Mack (1915) and Dewey George (1917).

Clayton Wilsey Frost, son of John and Jane Frost, born Aug. 21, 1844 in Orwell, married in New York City, May, 1872, Nellie Smith, who died in Athens, Pa., 1909, at 60 years of age. He married at Candor, N. Y., February, 1911, Nellie Van Duser. He died at Athens, Sept. 10, 1914. Clayton W., son of Clayton Wilsey and Nellie Frost was born June 5, 1912 at Athens.

On Jan. 1, 1848, Mrs. Nancy Rolls, and on Feb. 13, Mrs. Henrietta Chase offered themselves to the church. Their examination was sustained and they became members by profession of faith, and baptism. Mrs. Chase died in February, 1894.

Mrs. Nancy Rolls died in Rome Township when the new

church (1886) was nearly completed and her funeral was held in the church, being the first funeral to be held there, entrance being made over planks to the door. The bell of the church was tolled as her funeral procession drove from "Young's Corners" to the church. She was of advanced age and the number of years was enumerated in the tolling of the bell.

Mr. Willys Eastman became a member April 19, 1848. He was born Dec. 28, 1829, the son of George W. and Lydia T. Eastman, and married Ellen Augusta Hine, June 23, 1853, and died Aug. 16, 1865. Miss Mary M. Bronson became a member also on April 19. Ten days later Mrs. Mary Bronson was received by letter from Elkland, Pa. On Sunday, April 30, Miss Augusta Hine was admitted a member. The same day the following were baptized: Sarah Jane, born Sept. 26, 1847, daughter of G. W. and Lydia T. Eastman; Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Lucius and Sally Eastman; and Oscar Warren, son of O. F. and Rachel E. Young.

On Sunday, July 2, 1848, William Sexton by letter from the Orwell church, together with Edwin K. Collins and George W. Spencer, by profession of faith, were received into full communion. Mr. Sexton died Aug. 5, 1849. Burial was at Ransom Corners Cemetery.

On Sunday, Sept. 30th, Mrs. Rachel E. Young, wife of O. J. Young, was baptized and admitted to the church membership.

Mrs. Sarah H. Chubbuck was voted a church letter Dec. 8th. Mrs. Sophia Gates brought her church letter from the Congregational Church at Gilbertsville, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1849. In 1849, each member of this church was enjoined by presbytery to pay to the session five cents annually for the support of minister's widows and orphans and to assist disabled ministers. This applied to the whole denomination.

The next year (Oct. 7, 1849), shows that Henry Wilkeson, infant son of John and Jane Frost was baptized, Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer was accepted as a member, coming from a Congregational church in Rupert, Vermont, and letters of dismissal were granted to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Frost to Orwell, where Aaron died Jan. 17, 1855, and his wife, April 13, 1860.

CHAPTER IV

PASTORATE OF REV. DARWIN COOK

The Rev. Darwin Cook succeeded the Rev. Edwin Bronson in 1850, when Mrs. Mary H. Bronson was dismissed to Homer, N. Y. Mr. Cook was the son of Joel and Polly (Russell) Cook, and he remained in Rome till 1858 when he accepted a call from the first Presbyterian Church of Wyalusing at Merryal near Camptwon. During his eight years at Rome 18 persons joined by profession of faith and 8 by certificate, while 10 left and joined other churches. Those joining by profession were, in 1851: Miss Harriet C. Gates (married Rev. Clark Salmon); Mrs. Amelia Morey (married June 23, 1852, David Stevens of Towanda); Miss Mervil A. Woodburn (married Aden Robeson Bolles of Herrick, July 22, 1857); Miss Maria Cook (dismissed to Iowa, May 9, 1856); Mr. Silas E. Seely, son of Joseph; Miss Betsey F. Woodburn (married Oct. 19, 1853, George Sickler, was mother of Mrs. Bessie Lou Irving of Binghamton); Miss Abigail ("Abby") M. Passmore (married Silas E. Seely); Miss Adaline Seely (married George Harmon of Rupert, Vermont); Mr. Alexander McCaslin and his wife Eliza, who lived near Gillet's Bridge; in 1852, Mr. E. N. Frost and his wife, Sarah Parks, who lived on property across from that now owned by Mr. Fred Powers; in 1854, Henry B. Osborne; in 1855, Miss Mary R. Seely, who married Charles Brown of Sheshequin, and Miss Frances R. Spencer; in 1856, Mrs. Betsey Allen, who lived to the age of 90 years and 10 months, mother of Mrs. O. F. Young; in 1857, Mr. Joseph Sylvester Seely, son of Joseph; in 1858, Mr. Asher Holmes, and in 1859, Candace Holmes, his wife. (J. H. Holmes lived in the northern part of the township.)

Those becoming members by letter in Mr. Cook's time of service were: Mr. Joseph Seely and Julia (Jackson) Seely, his wife, from Orwell in 1851 (Mrs. Cora Marsh said Mr. Seely was one of the nicest men ever born, and that his wife always wore little curls); also Mrs. Matilda Osborne; in 1856, Mr.

Stewart M. Lines and his wife Catherine, from Mauch Chunk, to which they returned three months later; in 1857 Mrs. Louisa Avery, from the Orwell church, deceased March 14, 1871, leaving \$525 for a parsonage; and Miss Eliza Champlin from Orwell. The latter was the daughter and fifth of ten children of Jabez and Sarah A. (Cole) Champlin, and was born Sept. 20, 1836, married April 6, 1859 Mr. Reed Barnes of Orwell, and took her letter to Orwell in 1865. She died Sept. 15, 1900; burial was at Owego. Her daughter, Mrs. Ruth B. Shays, lives at 8 Lincoln Ave., Cortland, N. Y. Mrs. A. L. Cook joined by letter from Donaldson.

In 1856 Silas P. Cook, his wife Sophronia and daughter Maria were given a certificate of dismissal to take to Iowa; G. W. Spencer and his wife and Frances Rosina were dismissed to Owego, and Mrs. Jane O. Frost to Lawrenceville, Pa., whence she brought one back to Rome in 1858 where she died Oct. 14, 1864. Mrs. Mary M. Armstrong, (formerly Bronson) was dismissed to Wilkes-Barre, Pa. in 1852, and in 1855 Mrs. Jane Adaline Harmon was given a letter to Rupert, Vermont, and Erastus Lovet one to Orwell.

When in 1858 Mr. Cook, who was the father of the Rev. Milton L. Cook, terminated his work at Rome, the church had 32 members, a net gain of seven. In October, 1852 he had led the elders into a proposal to spend a half hour each day in "private prayer for the wisdom and faithfulness in the discharge of our duties as office bearers in the Church of God." On New Year's Day 1853, Saturday, "the Pastor being incapacitated by a cold that stopped his voice, Rev. Brother Richard Van Valkenburg, of the M. E. Church, preached the Preparatory Lecture." On the next day, Sunday, "according to custom, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed with much comfort by such a company as could assemble notwithstanding the badness of the going." During this typical year \$25.36 was raised by communion offerings for Missions and benevolences.

It is related that Mr. Cook while gesticulating in the course of preaching in the pulpit of the old church backed down to one of the lower steps, just catching himself from falling backward.

Baptisms in Ministry of Rev. Darwin Cook

April 6, 1851, Mervil A. Woodburn, adult daughter of Hiram and Jane Woodburn; Maria Cook, adult daughter of Silas and Sophronia Cook. (One Miss Mariah Cook was teaching school No. 3 in Vought Hollow June 5, 1851).

June 11, 1851, Hannah Rosina, Esther Minerva, Ann Eliza, Harriet Augusta, children of Edwin and Harriet Collins.

June 25, 1851, Frances Rosina, Julia Maria, Rufus Sheldon, George Wilson, children of G. W. and Elizabeth Spencer.

July 6, 1851, Betsey F., adult daughter of Hiram and Jane Woodburn; Abigail Maria, adult daughter of Joseph and Abigail Passmore.

July 13, 1851, Milton Lewis (born June 2, 1851) infant child of Rev. D. and Adelia Lewis Cook.

July 20, 1851, Matilda, child of Northrup and Amelia Morey.

Oct. 5, 1851, Ella Ione, child of O. F. and R. E. Young. John Huff, and William Alexander, children of Alexander and Eliza McCaslin.

May 16, 1852, Amelia, Mercur, and Maria, children of Eliot Newton and Sarah Ellen (Parks) Frost, married at Orwell June 1, 1845. (Eliot Newton was the youngest of the children of Aaron Frost. He was born Feb. 16, 1825 at Southwick, Mass. He died at Athens, Pa., Nov. 15, 1885. Amelia died Nov. 25, 1861.)

March 6, 1853, Mary Amelia, infant of Rev. Darwin and Adelia L. Cook, by Rev. Charles Huntington.

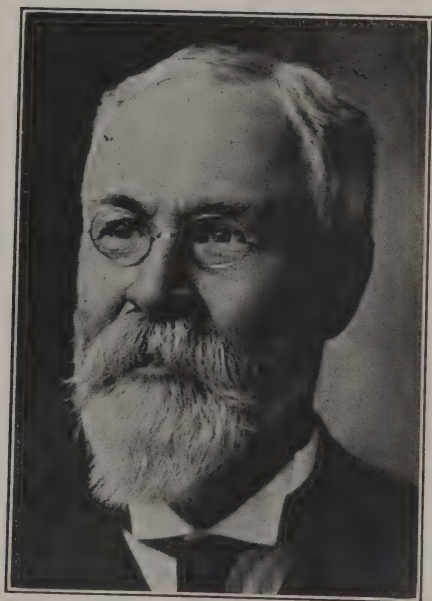
Jan. 7, 1855, Miles B., child of Henry B. and Matilda Osborne; Enridge Passmore, child of S. E. and A. M. Seeley.

April 8, 1857, Sarah Eliza, infant of Rev. Darwin and A. L. Cook, by Rev. Julius Foster of Towanda Presbyterian Church.

July, 1857, Julia Maria, child of S. E. and A. M. Seeley.

March 26, 1858, Joshua M., child of H. B. and Matilda Osborne.

March 27, 1858, Asher Holmes, adult; Richard A., son of A. H. and Candace Holmes.



Rev. Milton Lewis Cook, born at Rome, June 2, 1851, baptized July 13 in the Rome Church. Stated Clerk, Lackawanna Prebystery for over 25 years. Died Jan. 10, 1934.

First mention of a parsonage was made in 1851, so far as records known at the present show. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Cook, had the use of a house fully furnished. Of the \$250 paid in subscriptions on the salary of the minister by the church members and supporters, about half was "paid at the store in grain at barter price, and the balance in cash and grain at cash price." The problem of church support led the officers to say they "ought to unite with some other church."

A subscription paper for the minister's salary for the year beginning Dec. 1, 1851 shows how the various contributors subscribed.

"We the undersigned promise to pay the Sums Set opposite our respective names, to the Rev'd D. Cook for Ministerial labor in Rome for one year from the first day of December, 1851.

| Subscribers Names | | | |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------------|----------|
| Geo. W. Eastman | \$20.00 | E. N. Frost | 10.00 |
| S. Spalding | 15.00 | Hugh Hicks | 2.00 |
| John Vought | 3.00 | Cyrus Thatcher | 2.00 |
| Peter Allen | 7.00 | Lucius Eastman | 5.00 |
| Bezaleel Gates | 10.00 | | |
| O. F. Young | 15.00 | Additional | |
| Joseph Seely | 10.00 | O. F. Young | \$3.00 |
| G. W. Spencer | 5.00 | John Passmore | 3.00 |
| Edwin K. Collins | 2.50 | Dan'l Stevens | 2.00 |
| S. E. Seely | 5.00 | Geo. W. Eastman | 2.00 |
| Willis Eastman | 5.00 | S. Spalding | 3.00 |
| Alexander McCaslin ... | 10.00 | A. McCaslin | 1.00 |
| John Frost | 5.00 | S. E. Seely | 2.00 |
| Dr. H. Rice | 5.00 | J. W. Spencer | 1.00 |
| H. W. Browning (Shoe | | B. Gates | 1.00 |
| horse) | 5.00 | Lucius Eastman | 1.00 |
| John Passmore | 15.00 | J. Seely | 3.00 |
| J. Holcombe | 5.00 | | |
| | | Total | \$183.50 |

Another paper for 1851 includes these other names: Mrs. Daniel Stevens, Henry B. Osborn (\$5.00), Samuel Mann (\$2.00), Mrs. Betsy Allen (\$3.00), C. M. VanWinkle (\$2.00),

Julius Van Winkle (will shoe horse once .50), Joshua Vought (2 Bushel Oats \$1.00).

Another subscription paper for 1853 includes these other names: M. W. Warner, E. S. Benedict, Preceptor Forbes, J. H. Carey, George Sickler.

H. W. Browning (Herman), a blacksmith who married Mary Clotilda Woodburn, was the father of Montague, and grandfather of Phil Browning of Rome, the last named for P. P. Bliss, and living on the road leading from Gillet Bridge to Allis Hollow. H. W. Browning lived where the Taylor and Jenkins families have their Rome summer home.

Cyrus Thatcher was appointed in 1854 administrator of the estate of Thomas Thatcher who died at the age of 83, and whose gravestone is in the Ransom Corners Cemetery at the junction of the Wysox Creek valley road and the road leading up to Orwell hill. Cyrus is said to have married a woman by the name of Mann.

C. M. Van Winkle was Cyrus M. Van Winkle (grandfather of Mrs. R. R. Cook) who owned a farm on the hill east of Rome borough improved with a large house. He was a self-taught local veterinarian with considerable practice. Julius Van Winkle lived across the street from the blacksmith shop of H. W. Browning.

Dr. H. Rice was Dr. Hiram Rice, grandfather of the present church treasurer, Miss Mary Woodburn Rice, and of William and D. S. Rice of Rome. He was the son of Dutee and Susanna (Gerould) Rice of East Smithfield, Bradford County, Pa. Dutee Rice came from Connecticut about 1802 to East Smithfield, a shoemaker by trade, at which he worked in the community. He was born Sept. 22, 1779, and married on Feb. 12, 1804 Susanna Gerould. He died at the age of 68 in 1848, with burial at East Smithfield. She died April 27, 1870, aged 84. To them were born ten children, of whom Hiram was third.

Susanna Gerould was the granddaughter of Gamaliel Gerould (1719-1795) and his wife Rebecca Lawrence whom he married Dec. 25, 1741, and who died Jan. 12, 1751. Jabez Gerould,

father of Susanna, was the fourth child of Gamaliel and Rebecca Gerould, was born Nov. 1, 1748 in Wrentham, Mass., served as a private in the Lexington alarm of 1775 in Col. Sparhawk's Regiment, and later as a drummer in Col. Ephraim Doolittle's Regiment. After the war he settled in Newton, Conn., thence he emigrated to Franklin, N. Y. in 1798, and in 1801 he established his home in a log house in East Smithfield. His wife was Demaris Bennett of Newton, Conn. They had nine children, of whom Susanna was third, born Jan. 1, 1786. Her father died a year after coming to East Smithfield, but the mother with her children, the oldest of whom was 16, persevered, and brought them to maturity, with the exception of the first born who had died as a child.

Hiram Rice, son of Dutee and Susanna (Gerould) Rice, was born March 13, 1810, married April 9, 1839 Mrs. Amanda Guernsey Nichols, and died in Rome, Feb. 23, 1876. He learned the printer's trade, and for a time edited and published "The Northern Banner" at Towanda, Pa. Two years (1833-1835) of the issues of this are in the possession of Miss Mary W. Rice. Later he studied medicine at Albany, N. Y. After his marriage in 1839 he resided in Rome and practiced medicine for over 35 years. He lived in the house now occupied by Fred. Rice Powers.

The children of Dr. Hiram and Amanda Guernsey Nichols Rice were: William, born April 16, 1840, died Jan. 18, 1919 (married Emily Victorine Whitney May 1, 1862); Charles, born March 14, 1842, died April 24, 1915 (married Mary Overpeck, had 6 children: Ned, Sarah, Harry, William, Bert, Marian); Amanda, born Feb. 29, 1844, died Nov. 10, 1906 unmarried; Lizzie, born July 19, 1847, died Aug. 12, 1932, married Delos Powers, and had two sons: George D. (born June 4, 1875) and Frederick Rice (born Feb. 3, 1877) Powers. After the death of Dr. Hiram Rice in 1876 his widow lived in Rome till her death Jan. 28, 1888. She had been born in 1808, the daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Buckley) Guernsey of Oxford, N. Y., and married first Pliny Nichols of Green, N. Y., who died leaving her with three children: George (1829-1909), Mary (married William

Rockwell of Towanda, was grandmother of Mrs. Helen God-charles), and Edgar who married Mary Louisa Frost (1834-1905).

William Rice studied medicine at the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, graduating in 1862, and began his practice at Herrickville, Pa. He was commissioned, Feb. 16, 1865, assistant surgeon of the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry and served with General W. T. Sherman's Army in Georgia. After the war he lived for a while at Beaufort, South Carolina, and then came to reside and practice medicine at Rome, Pa. He established a drug store in 1880, operated it till his death Jan. 18, 1919, after which time his daughter Mary took charge.

The children of Dr. William and Emily V. (Whitney) Rice were: (1) Dr. Frederick Whitney Rice, born Dec. 20, 1864 at Herrickville, married June 11, 1888 to Clara Forbes, daughter of James C. and Jemima (Allen) Forbes, lives in Sayre, Pa., and having one child, Hiram Frederick Rice, born Dec. 7, 1890, who was in camp at Charleston, S. C. during the World War. He is married and lives in Sayre.

(2) Nellie M., born May 22, 1867 in Rome, married May 19, 1888 to Ulysses G. Russell (born Oct. 18, 1865), and having two children: Frederick Cleaveland Russell, born Nov. 20, 1889, married Jan. 15, 1910 to Emma Erwin of New York, (with one child—Elizabeth L. Russell, born Dec. 13, 1912); and Emilie Victorine Russell, born Sept. 30, 1903, who teaches at Nichols, N. Y.

(3) Robert Guernsey Rice, a veterinarian inspector, born Aug. 1, 1868 at Rome, married first to Marguerite Kilmer, daughter of Joshua and Lottie (Simons) Kilmer, and having two children: Louise Bessey Rice (related to Rev. F. E. Bessey), married March 27, 1918 Mr. Arthur J. Anderson, a mail carrier, and living at Mitchell, S. D.; and Robert Guernsey Rice, Jr., a railroad man of Kansas City, Missouri. Robert Guernsey Rice, Sr., married, second, Feb. 15, 1899 in the Methodist Church at Towanda, Miss Laura L'Amereaux, and lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, at 98 North Dale Street. The Kilmers called Rev. F. E. Bessey "Uncle Frank."

Arthur J. and Louise Bessie (Rice) Anderson have four children all born at Mitchell, S. D.: Gerould Arthur, born June 28, 1919; Margaret Louise, born Jan. 2, 1921; Jean Whitney, born Jan. 21, 1923; Roger Woodburn, born June 16, 1931.

Children of Dr. Robert Guernsey and Laura (L'Amereux) Rice:

Henry, born Feb. 4, 1900, died Oct. 25, 1932 unmarried, just before he was about to graduate from the University of Wisconsin.

Laura, born March 7, 1902, graduated from Carlton College in music at Northfield, Minn.

Emilie Victorine, born in Towanda, Pa., March 20, 1904, graduated from University of Minnesota in 1928, married Dec. 30, 1933, Henry Earnest Walter who was born of English parents of Tees, Alberta. They have two children: Richard Kenmir, born March 9, 1935; and Lillie L'Amereaux, born Nov. 9, 1938. They live at Cloquet, Minn., where he is a chemist.

William, born Aug. 19, 1906, married June 16, 1927, Nettie Elizabeth Craft. He graduated from Seabury Theological School and is an Episcopal rector in St. Paul. They have three children: Diane, born July 7, 1929; William, born April 11, 1932; Damon, born Oct. 4, 1936.

Thomas, born Nov. 27, 1909, married June 13, 1932 Lyla Sarf, who was born Dec. 16, 1909. They have two children: Darlene, born June 12, 1935; and Charles, born Sept. 16, 1938.

Guy, Born June 18, 1912, married July 20, 1936 Irene Vogel who was born March 3, 1914. They have one child, Gay, born Dec. 10, 1939.

Charles, and John, twins, born March 8, 1915 at Watertown, South Dakota. John died April 2, 1915, and Charles died July 19, 1938. Burial was in Acacia Cemetery, St. Paul, Minn.

(4) Mary Woodburn Rice, born March 19, 1872 at Rome, attended Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pa., 1889-1891, graduated from Buffalo College of Pharmacy, May 31, 1907, became

registered pharmacist in Pennsylvania Nov. 21, 1908, and at her father's death took charge of Rice's Drug Store.

(5) William Rice, born Oct. 4, 1880 at Rome attended Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. in 1902 and married Oct. 18, 1911, to Nina Margaret Allis, daughter of George R. Allis. They have two children: William Lyons Rice, born Sept. 1, 1912 at Rome, married to Elsie M. Baxter, Aug. 4, 1935 at Wysox, Pa., living in Towanda, Pa.; and George Edward Rice, born June 10, 1917, matriculated in September, 1939 at Cornell University. Mr. and Mrs. William L. Rice have a son, Thomas William, born Dec. 8, 1940 at Towanda. George Edward Rice entered the United States Army October 16, 1941, and was assigned to Platoon C-2, Fort Eustis, Newport News, Va., being later transferred to Fort Amador, Balboa, Panama.

(6) David Scott Rice, born July 14, 1884, at Rome, married Sept. 26, 1912 to Bertina Haney and having six children: Mary Elizabeth, Alvin Whitney, James Haney, Thomas Gerould, Frederick, and David Mitten Rice. Alvin married June 25, 1939 Blanch C. Orzel of Amsterdam, N. Y. at Sage Chapel, Cornell University. He graduated 1941 from Cornell University as Doctor of Veterinary Surgery. James graduated from Cornell University in 1940 in the College of Agriculture. For over a year he was employed by the G. L. F. (Grange-League Federation) and then went into military training in the 66th School Squadron, Brooks Field, Texas.



Lucy Young Bliss

P. P. Bliss

at the time of their marriage

CHAPTER V

PERIOD OF P. P. BLISS

1859—1876

The Rev. Thomas Thomas, grandfather of Norman Thomas, socialist candidate for president, was moderator of a session meeting June 4, 1859, when Mrs. Candace Holmes presented a letter from Orwell, and Mrs. Mervil A. (Woodburn) Bolles was dismissed to Herrick. At this time also Mrs. Sarah H. Chubbuck, Mr. Philip Paul Bliss and Lucy Jane his wife, the daughter of the stated clerk, Elder O. F. Young, were examined and received as members by a vote of the session. Three days before, Mr. Bliss and Miss Young had been married at the Wysox Parsonage by the Rev. Andrew Barr. Here were two new members whose names were destined to become famous. In joining the church the first Sunday after their marriage they began a life of increasing devotion.

P. P. Bliss taught school this year (1859) at the Academy, as the following reports of visiting school directors show.

"Jan. 13th 1859. Visited School No. 2, at the Academy, P. P. Bliss teacher.

Mental Arithmetic recited good—Skill in teaching was manifest.

Grammar—2d Class had advanced to conjugation of verb, recitation very good.

Orthography—1st Class—recitation quite perfect.

Spelling & defining—2d Class recited well and fully explained. Other classes did not recite. Good skill in teaching was manifest, but not the best of order kept.

O. Rickey Secy."

"Feb. 13th 1859.

Visited this school. P. P. Bliss teacher. There were on the Roll 78 names—but 44 present some having been transferred to the other school.

There were in Geography 15, Grammar 30, Arithmetic 24, Ment. Arith. 17, & Writing 30. Compositions each alternate week.

This school is well managed & the teacher ever ready to assist. The classes appear to be interested, especially the 2nd Grammar Class and Ment. Arith. Had no suggestions to make.

There are some complaints in the community with regard to the teacher's mode of punishment, and neglect of hearing classes. But to these charges satisfactory answers were given.

E. A. Ridgway Secy."

Mr. Bliss was still under twenty-one, having been born July 9, 1838, the third child of five to Isaac and Lydia (Doolittle) Bliss, near Penfield, in Clearfield County, Pa. For ten years his father had lived in sparsely settled regions with few advantages of schooling. In 1855 Philip spent the winter in a select school at East Troy, and taught school the next winter. Late in the fall of 1857 he entered Susquehanna Collegiate Institute at Towanda where he studied English under Rev. David Craft and music under Miss O. Louisa Jenks. As Dr. Craft wrote in his *History of Bradford County*, "He had been but a short time connected with the institution when something of his natural gifts was discovered, and a future musical career was predicted for him." The year after his marriage he remained about home at the Young place, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Holmes and Mrs. Lizzie Watson, granddaughter of O. F. Young. During the summer he attended a musical normal school at Genesee, N. Y., the money being provided by his wife's grandmother, Betsy Allen. From this time forward, his talents as a singer were developed. He continued to spend most of his time in Rome, engaged in farm work, teaching public schools and music classes, and giving concerts and using every leisure moment for study and practice. He taught at the Rome Academy, which had been organized in 1848. He provided a home in Rome for his aged parents, in the house now occupied by Mr. D. S. Rice. His father died in 1864. "The next year, 1865, his first song, entitled 'Lora Vale,' was published by Root and Cady, musical publishers, soon led to a more intimate acquaintance, and finally to his removal to Chicago in November, 1865." Mr. and Mrs. Bliss took letters of dismis-

sion in 1871 to join the First Congregational Church of Chicago, where he became superintendent of the Sunday School, and leader of the choir. (For more about P. P. Bliss, see the author's 66 page booklet, *P. P. Bliss, A Centennial Sketch of His Life and Work*, 1838-1938.)

Others who joined the Rome church under the ministry of the Rev. Thomas Thomas were: Mr. Stephen P. Gates, son of Bezaleel, Oct. 10, 1859, who studied for the ministry, going to Princeton Theological Seminary in September, 1864, and became pastor at Canton, Pa.; Mrs. Betsy Whittaker, by letter from Friendsville, Pa., Jan. 22, 1860; Mr. Henry Wilmarth, Mrs. Mercy C. Yontz (grandmother of the late Will Bennett) by confession of faith and baptism; and by letter, Mrs. Polly A. A. Alger from the Orwell Church, and Mrs. Martha Allis from the Providence Church (March 2, 1861). Mrs. Alger, grandmother of Robert Allis, was dismissed to Towanda, Oct. 20, 1867.

On Nov. 9, 1861, Mrs. Frances Harding presented a certificate from the Presbyterian Church of Otisville, and Henrietta Cranmer one from Orwell and were accepted as members. Mrs. Harding took a letter to Port Jervis, June 29, 1863. Mrs. Cranmer was dismissed to Vineland, N. J., Oct. 4, 1863.

The church did not feel able to pay Mr. Thomas another year and the services were held as often as it was possible to have the pulpit temporarily supplied.

1861—1866

The Rev. J. C. Wilhelm, who also preached at Potterville, served as minister during the latter part of 1861, though he did not preach every Sunday. On April 14, Elder B. Gates read a good sermon, according to the diary of Elder Oscar J. Young, who with Allen his son attended church the next Sunday at Wysox and heard the Rev. Julius Foster, pastor at Towanda. There was much excitement about enlistments for the Civil War. Mr. Young also went to hear the Rev. Andrew Barr pastor at Wysox. Mr. Barr left there in 1864 to become chaplain of the 141st Regiment, Bradford's own. He died soon after reaching

his regiment, and was buried at Danville, Pa. Mr. Young wrote, "He is smart, active, energetic preacher." A Sunday School was organized during this year meeting at 1:30 followed by preaching, and a prayer meeting was held Sunday nights. The Rev. David Craft supplied the pulpit a number of Sunday afternoons. Mr. Young noted down the texts of the Rev. Mr. Wilhelm's sermons. He heard the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, father of the late Mr. H. Kent Mitchell of Troy, preach in the Baptist Church, Sunday, Oct. 27, 1861, on the 20th anniversary of his ordination.

Mr. Wilhelm supplied the pulpit through the next year, some of his texts being, 2 Tim. 3:16 (All scripture is given by inspiration); Gen. 1:1 (In the beginning); Luke 15:18 (I will arise and go to my Father); Rev. 2:20 (Behold I stand at the door and knock).

Select School

Mrs. Harriet Gates Salmon (wife of Rev. Clark Salmon) was the teacher of a school in Rome during the winter of 1862. (Miss Mary W. Rice thinks that it was a parochial school of the Rome Presbyterian Church, held in a school building on the church lot on the site of which is now the home of Rev. A. A. Bennett, next to the place of the old Presbyterian Church.) An autograph album containing the photographs and signatures of many if not all of the pupils attending the school was presented to the teacher, Mrs. Hattie Gates Salmon, whose picture is also in the book. Mr. Fred M. Hicks, under date of August 21, 1923, made a list of the persons in the album, with notations as to whom they married or other facts.

Although not altogether so, the names and pictures are found in alphabetical order. The names of those who made up the enrollment of this "select" school are as follows: Louisa N. Alger, Gertrude Barnes, S. Barnes, M. K. Taylor, Hala Maynard, Random Browning, Mary E. Chubbuck, Katie Case, R. Case, Celestia Chaffee, Arlett Chaffee, Sophia Chaffee, E. J. Chaffee, Ann Cranmer, W. W. Moody, Olive Elliott, Martha E. Hamilton, George Hicks, Miss Lottie Mann, A. McCaslin, Ben. Moody,



Harriet Gates Salmon

Jennie Passmore, Eliza Parks, Tillie Pratt, Will Rockwell, Kate Rockwell, Amanda Rice, Lizzie Rice, S. Seeley, Seth Towner, Frank Towner, Frank Vought, Orville Taylor, Lyman C. Warren, Allen W. Woodburn, Leslie Woodburn, Abbie Yontz, Sarah Barnes, Inza Dell Chubbuck, Clara Frost, Libbie Wattles, Emma Gates, Effie Alger, Henry Wilmot, Mercur Frost, Joshua Vought, F. A. Taylor, Mason L. Ellsworth, Mary J. Lewis, Chester P. Buffington, Charles H. Stone, Emma A. Shoemaker, Dosie M. Rickey, Frances E. Scott, Kate J. Taylor, Philena Robinson, Nett L. Fuller.

According to information given by Miss Mary W. Rice and others, with the facts given by Mr. F. M. Hicks, it is possible to give the following items about a number of the persons named above.

Louisa N. Alger married Charles Gladding and resided in the western part of the county. She had died previous to August 21, 1923 when Mr. Hicks made his notations.

Gertrude Barnes married James Parley Coburn. She was the mother of Mrs. James Eastman of Orwell, and the grandmother of Gertrude Howe Fairlee of Athens R. D. 2, and her picture has a striking resemblance to the granddaughter. She taught schools in Rome Borough in 1859, 1861, 1863, 1864, 1869, 1870, and 1871; at Taylor Hill in 1865 and 1866.

M. K. Taylor was Mortimer K. Taylor who married Mahala Maynard, parents of Mrs. George W. Chase and Mrs. Minnie Truesdale of Taylor Hill, Rome township.

Randon Browning, son of Herman Montague Browning, married Libbie Jewett, daughter of Allen and Joanna (Passmore) Jewett and was a merchant in Rome for more than forty years. Miss Joanna Spencer of Lake Wesauking is a great-great-granddaughter of Joanna Passmore Jewett.

Kate Case was the daughter of Eli Case of Orwell and married Winsor Lott, and they were the parents of Rev. Fred Lott of Binghamton and Mr. Willard Lott of Orwell.

Roswell Case lived in Orwell, went later to East Smithfield where he died. He was a brother of Kate. His daughter, Dora,

married William Morrison and lived at Athens, Pa. They had two sons, Roswell and Samuel Morrison.

Celestia Chaffee of Sheshequin married Morris Vought, son of Peter, was the mother of Rev. L. L. Vought, a Methodist minister at Rome, and was the grandmother of Mr. Clarence Moore of Rome. (See Craft, page 354 opposite).

Arlette Chaffee was married to James Hees of Towanda, Sept. 24, 1876, by Rev. G. W. Stone.

Sophia Chaffee was a sister of Arlette and a daughter of Danford Chaffee. She married Byron G. Wilmot, and they were the parents of Claude Wilmot, and of Minnie Wilmot Russell, mother of Roe W. Russell.

Edgar J. Chaffee was a brother of Arlett and Sophia, learned the jeweler's trade of W. A. Chamberlain of Towanda and went to Hazelton where he married and set up business for himself.

Ann Cranmer married W. W. Moody. In her late years she resided in Litchfield township and died there. She was the mother of Frank Moody of Athens.

Olive Elliott of Rome moved to Mansfield and became a popular school teacher.

Martha E. Hamilton of Windham married a Mr. Babcock and lived in Windham.

George Hicks went to Chicago and lived there till 1897, went to New York City where he died about 1918. He was a brother of Fred M. Hicks.

Lottie Mann married Fred M. Hicks and was the mother of George, now living in Rome.

Benjamin Moody located in Mansfield, became a physician and a prominent citizen of that place.

Jennie Hicks Passmore married George Owen of Monroeton lived in Philadelphia where Mr. Owen died about 1903. She moved to Albany, N. Y. Her daughter, Mrs. Alice Owen Samson, died June 29, 1940 at Greenbush, N. Y. Burial was at Wysox, Pa. A granddaughter, Charlotte Samson, survives.

Eliza Parks married the Rev. Mr. Shelp.



STUDENTS OF MRS. HARRIET GATES SALMON, 1862

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| Louisa A. Alger | Gertrude Barnes | S. Barnes | M. K. Taylor |
| Hala Maynard | Random Browning | Katie Case | Roswell Case |
| Celestia Chaffee | Arlette Chaffee | Sophia Chaffee | Edgar Chaffee |
| Ann Cranmer | Olive Elliott | Martha Hamilton | George Hicks |

Tillie Pratt married a Mr. Knight and lived at Athens, Tennessee.

Kate Rockwell married Asa Babcock. Will Rockwell was the father of Mrs. Belle Cannan of Rome.

Amanda Rice was the daughter of Dr. Hiram Rice, a sister of Mrs. Lizzie Powers, Dr. William Rice, Charles Rice and a half-sister of George Nichols. She died at the age of 61.

Lizzie Rice married Delos Powers of Norwich, N. Y., and was the mother of George Powers of Athens and Fred R. Powers of Rome, Pa.

Sylvester Seeley went west and died there, with burial at Greeley, Colorado.

Seth Towner enlisted for the Civil War and died in service.

Frank Towner married a Miss Gillette, died at Ulster.

Frank Vought married a lady from Towanda, went to Jamestown, N. Y., where he was cashier of a bank for a number of years.

Orville Taylor married Miss Olivia Lung of Rome and lived there till his death. He was the father of Harold Taylor and Mrs. Lillian Jenkins, wife of Albion Jenkins, who return to Rome for summer vacations.

Lyman E. Warner went with his parents to New York state. He became a prominent lawyer in Ithaca and later in New York City.

Allen W. Woodburn married Della Wattles, lived and died in Rome, father of Dr. Wilton W. Woodburn and John Allen Woodburn and grandfather of Edward.

Leslie Woodburn was a brother of Mrs. Phronie Bessey, went to Minneapolis, Minnesota, became very prosperous financially and later moved to California where he died.

Abbie Yontz married Henry Camp and went west. Her father was a tailor.

Sarah Barnes married and left Rome, had a brother, Leslie, who lives at Camptown, Pa.

Inza Dell Chubbuck went west and married.

Clara Frost, daughter of Eliot Newton Frost, was born Jan. 8, 1850, in a log house in Orwell, Pa., married Jan. 31, 1871, George Wellington Miller of Rome, son of Dan, moved to Athens, Pa., where she died. They had no children. (*Frost Genealogy in Five Families*)

Emma Gates joined the Presbyterian Church March 31, 1866, was not a relative of the Bezaleel Gates family, but lived with them and was called by their name.

Effie Alger moved to the western part of the county where she died unmarried.

Henry Wilmot went west previous to 1868 and became quite a noted railroad engineer.

Mercur Frost, son of Eliot Newton and Sarah Ellen (Parks) Frost, born Aug. 25, 1848, married Sallie W. Thompson, resided in Rome for a time and then in Athens, where he died. A daughter, Clara A., born 1878, married Louis H. Shearer.

Libbie Wattles, was the daughter of David Miner and S. Louise (Cranmer) Wattles of Rome, married a Mr. Blocher and moved to the west.

Joshua Vought married Lina Maynard, went west, became a successful physician.

F. A. Taylor signed as from Castle Creek, Broome County, N. Y.

Mason L. Ellsworth went west where he died.

Mary J. Lewis went from Orwell to Towanda, never married.

Charles H. Stone of Rome went to Warren Center, Pa., learned the wagonmaker's trade, went to Triangle, New York, and married. He was the son of George W. Stone, M.D., who lived where Mrs. John Martin resides, and who was referred to as "Elder Stone," due to his preaching in the churches. He often passed the home of Charles S. Pitcher at Ransom's Corners on his way to preach on Orwell Hill.

The following poem, sent by Mrs. Burt Goff to the Towanda Daily Review (Nov. 10, 1941), refers to persons and places of



PUPILS OF MISS HATTIE GATES, 1862

Lottie Mann
Eliza Parks
Amanda Rice
Frank Towner

A. McCaslin
Tillie Pratt
Lizzie Rice
Frank Vought

Ben. Moody
Will Rockwell
S. Seeley
Orville Taylor

Jennie Passmore
Kate Rockwell
Seth Towner
Lyman Warren



PUPILS OF MISS HATTIE GATES

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| Allen Woodburn | Leslie Woodburn | Abbie Yontz | Sarah Barnes |
| Inza Dell Chubbuck | Clara Frost | Libbie Wattles | Emma Gates |
| Effie Alger | Henry Wilmot | Mercur Frost | Joshua Vought |
| Mason-Ellsworth | Mary J. Lewis | Chester T. Buffington | Charles H. Stone |

the time of the teaching of Miss Hattie Gates. It was written by Miss Lillian Maynard Ridgeway and recited by Miss Bernice L. Wattles, Nov. 10, 1871. Bernice Wattles married Enridge Seely. Lillian was the daughter of Edwin Ridgeway.

DEAR OLD ROME

Through the quiet, peaceful valley
Where the silvery Wysox glides,
Passing cottages and meadows
Singing in its rippling tides
Dusky hills above the valley,
Robed in Autumn's richest hue,
Rifts of sunlight falling leaflets
Spread their charms to every view.

Fleecy clouds high above it,
Breezes their sweet music bears
And the eye that loves to wander
Finds a beauty everywhere.
In this quiet, peaceful valley
Stands a village, small and neat,
Shaded by the elms and maples,
Arching high above the street.

Oh, I love this dear old village
More than palace rich and grand
For no wealth or high position
Is so worthy of the land.
And I love it, dearly love it,
From the fact it gave me birth,
And the hallowed haunts of childhood
Are the sweetest spots on earth.

In the green fields by the streamlets,
Where the clover and the wild flowers
Grow around in rich profusion
In the springtime's opening hours.
There I frolicked with my brother
Through the countless, golden days
Making violets mimic soldiers
To enliven our dull plays.

Often to the pond we wandered
Where the fish basked in the sun,
And my brother catching "Fishie"
Mistook the fish and caught my thumb.
From the grove of ancient chestnuts,
Just a little out of town
Where we picked with nimble fingers
Till the sun was nearly down.

When the stars peeped down thru the azure,
Have I swung upon the gate,
And I watched the silver moonbeams
While I pondered of my fate.
I'd forget the world around me
Dreaming of a fairy shrine,
Where bright sunlight rested ever,
Far beyond the hills of time.

In the distance stands the church yard
With the moss grown o'er its wall,
Where the wild birds sing in mournful rhythm
A sad requiem for all.
In that spot sleeps many a loved one,
To each grave is linked the chain
Of a love that can sever
Neither death, nor grief, nor pain.

And across the dusty highway
Is the humble house of prayer,
And I oft have passed its portals
While the anthems thrilled the air.
I have sat beside my parents,
Who once taught me how to pray.
I've listened to the word of Heaven
Where it spoke of Wisdom's way.

There's the schoolhouse on Bear River
Where I've studied many a day
With the grounds extending round it
Where I used to laugh and play.
True, the schoolroom has been altered
And the friends of days of yore
Are scattered, widely scattered,
Even to Pacific's shore.

Still the memory ever haunts me,
'Tis a pleasure to recall;
All the faces bright and rosy
That have met within these walls.
Comes a thought of good "Miss Hattie,"
Once our teacher, patient, dear,
Not one of all her loving precepts
Forgotten is in passing years.

There are threads of strange romances
Woven in the web of life,
And of those who lived and suffered
To the end in worldly strife.
Some have pressed through life unhonored,
Some have worn the crown of love,
Some have tasted sweetest pleasures,
All, we hope to meet above.

Do you wonder that I love it,
 This bright village, small and neat,
 Shaded by the elms and maples
 Arching high above the street.
 Do you wonder that the tears fall
 And a sigh comes from my heart
 When I think of all the brightness
 Forming of the past a part?

But my pen is growing weary
 And the evening shadows fall.
 And no longer does the sunlight
 Rest upon the tree tops tall.
 So I'll lay aside my fancies
 And will dream no more in rhyme
 But will gather up the present
 And will think of coming time.

In May of 1863, Elder Young represented Susquehanna Presbytery at the General Assembly meeting in Columbus, Ohio.

The Rev. Mr. Barr acted as moderator of the session meeting held Aug. 9, 1863, when Mrs. Sarah H. Chubbuck was given a letter to Waverly, N. Y., and Elder and Mrs. Geo. W. Eastman to Orwell. In October Mrs. Henrietta (Spalding) Cranmer took a letter to Vineland, N. J.

The following is a subscription paper passed for the payment of the salary of Mr. Barr.

Rome, Oct. 1st, 1863

"We the undersigned agree to pay to Revd. Andrew Barr the Sums set opposite our respective names for ministerial services once per Sabbath commencing from date.

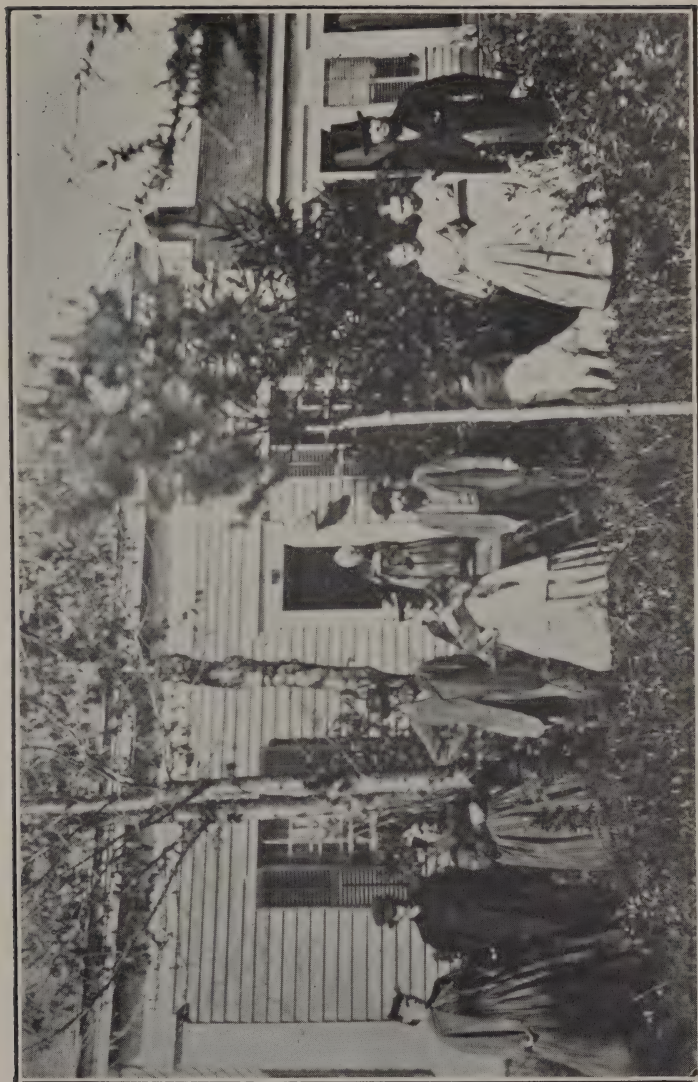
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| S. Spalding | \$15.00 | P. P. Bliss | 2.00 |
| Willis Eastman | 5.00 | Mrs. Betsy Allen | 2.00 |
| John Vought | 5.00 | B. Gates | 15.00 |
| S. E. Seely | 5.00 | H. Yontz | 3.00 |
| Stephen Whitaker | 5.00 | Joseph Seely | 10.00 |
| G. W. Pierce | 2.00 | Henry B. Osborn | 3.00 |
| E. E. Spalding | 5.00 | Lucius Eastman | 3.00 |
| O. F. Young | 15.00 | S. B. Whitaker | 1.00 |
| O. W. Young | 5.00 | Henry Wilmoth | 5.00 |
| Allen P. Young | 5.00 | | |

The subscription of S. Spalding was marked with the notation, "in Boots paid \$3.50." E. E. Spalding was the son of Solomon. Edgar Spalding married Dr. Julia Kinney.

Mr. Barr served as regular supply preacher till March 20, 1864, when he preached his last sermon on the text, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." He left soon after to become chaplain of the 141 Reg. Pa. Vol. Inf., but died soon after reaching the regiment. Stephen P. Gates, a Princeton student, preached some in this year, and P. P. Bliss was elected superintendent of a re-organized Sunday School, which had good attendance. Several funeral sermons were preached for soldiers, one being for Michael Thompson, and another for Pitman Demerest, by Rev. Edgar M. High of the Methodist Church.

Presbytery met with this church, Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1864 for three days. The Rev. Clark Salmon began preaching regularly in September. During his term of service the church experienced a large increase in members. Miss Nancy Louisa Alger (daughter of Mrs. M. G. Alger) joined by confession of faith being baptized 2 days later (July 9, 1865) by Rev. C. C. Corrs; she was journalist of the Union Sunday School in 1867, and took a church letter, Oct. 20, 1869 to Towanda. The following were received March 31, 1866: Joseph M. Elliott (married Miss Gaylord of Wyalusing) and Miss Olive Elliott who were dismissed to Wyalusing April 10, 1869, George Ercanbrack, Miss Emma Ercanbrack (who married Abel Lent of Wysox), the Ercanbracks living where Fowlers now reside on Morley Hill; Charles Cole, Miss Laura Cole, Allen P. Young, who married Melita Mann; Miss Ella Ione Young (married Corydon Barnes), O. Warren Young, Miss Clara E. Young (married Rev. John Ellsworth) all four being children of Elder O. F. Young.

Allen Peter Young, as an infant, one year of age, had been baptized at the first Communion Service on June 9th, 1844. He was examined and received into membership March 31, 1866, a young man of 23 years. He was ordained an Elder, Jan. 1, 1887, and the remainder of his life he served as an elder and a trustee of the church, and gave unstintingly his life work to the church, and its associate organizations. He was teacher of the Bible



Summer of 1866, (left to right), Ella Young (Mrs. C. C. Barnes), Leslie Woodburn, Rachel Allen Young, (Mrs. O. F.), Oscar F. Young, Clara Young Ellsworth (Mrs. John), Flora Mary Woodburn, Oscar Warren Young.

Class, for years, chorister of the choir, a member of the Christian Endeavor Society, having a strong Christian influence upon young people, and respected and beloved by all. He was always talking about the Bible. That is what he thought, what he lived, what he loved.

Others received into membership March 31, 1866 were: Miles Osborne, Milton Osborne; Mrs. Emily Cole, dismissed Jan. 2, 1881 to Osceola, Nebraska; Mrs. Laura Matteson; Miss Dora Rickey, who married John Sterling and was dismissed in 1883 to Dixon, Illinois, where she died leaving two sons; Mrs. Martha E. (Barnes) Rickey, wife of Orson Rickey, daughter of Sylvester Barnes, deceased Sept. 28, 1873; Miss Isabel Rickey, who was married at Rome Nov. 27, 1878 by Rev. H. F. Mason of Wysox to Mr. Oliver E. Tanner; Miss Harriet Gertrude Barnes, daughter of Samuel Lewis and Eliza Jane (Cannan) Barnes, married to James P. Coburn, Sept. 13, 1871 by Rev. Faber Byllesby; Miss Della Barnes, her sister who married Wesley T. McCabe, and moved to Pittston, taking her church letter Sept. 11, 1871, where she died at the age of 62; Miss Jennie Hicks Passmore, who married George Owen; Miss Ellen Owen, dismissed to Monroeton, April 13, 1867; and Miss Alice Owen who married Irving H. Samson, and died June 29, 1940, with burial at Wysox, survived by a daughter Charlotte Samson, East Greenbush, Albany, N. Y.; Miss Helen Cannan, who married Joseph Bosworth, and was mother of Frank Bosworth of Rome; Mrs. Eliza Johnson Elliott, second wife of Joseph Elliott, dismissed Sept. 11, to Mansfield, Pa.; Miss Effa Alger; and Miss Emma (Rockwell?) Gates, foster-daughter of Bezaleel Gates, married Henry Waite.

At the same time Mr. J. R. Coolbaugh and his wife Laura Melida (Maynard) Coolbaugh, and Mrs. Allen Peter Young were received by letter from Jersey Shore, Pa. The latter was a sister of Mrs. Louie Waldo. Later in the year, Mr. Joshua Bushnell and wife were accepted as members from the Congregational Church of Worcester, and Mr. Rowland S. Howes from the Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre. Mr. Howes died July 11, 1867, and Mr. Bushnell in April, 1868.

The church year of 1866 showed a net gain of 15 members and a total of 34 reported to presbytery and general assembly.

The Rev. Clark Salmon of Orwell moderated the session meetings in 1867, at which Mrs. Louisa Maynard presented a certificate of dismission from the Lutheran Church of Lewisburg, Pa. The following were given church letters: Mrs. W. G. Alger, and the Misses Let and Effa Alger to Towanda; Mr. and Mrs. Spalding to Vineland, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Eastman.

Union Sunday School

There is among the church records the journal of a Union Sunday School at Rome, written for every Sunday of the year of 1867. The following is taken from the journal of January sixth.

"Commenced School for the new year with Mr. O. F. Young, Sup., O. D. Stiles, Ast. Sup., A. P. Young, Librarian; Mrs. S. Seely, Mrs. Gates, Miss Minnie Howes, Miss Lizzie Mann, [married Louie Waldo of Elmira] and Mrs. O. F. Young, Mr. S. Seely, Teachers; Mr. B. Gates and J. Seely joint Teachers of Bible Class; Miss N. Lois Alger, Journalist. Opened School by singing, 'There is no rest.' 'Blessed are those who have died in the Lord.' They have been called to receive their reward. There, there is rest. Death in any form is a terror to the human heart, and when He robs us of a dear friend, we mourn as those without hope. Could we see things as they really are, could we realize the bliss of those who had 'died in the Lord' our sorrowing would be turned into rejoicing. 'The Moravians carry their dead to their graves, singing before them.' Such a form of cheerfulness and submission to the Divine Will is beautiful and commendable, but while we inhabit 'Clay tenements' it is utterly impossible for us to realize in its full significance when our friends die that our loss is their gain. Though it is our duty to strive to feel that God doeth all things well, it is no sin for us to weep when a dear one 'goes home'. The Superintendent read from Matt. 14. Dr. Styles offered prayer. There was a very good attendance of scholars and a few new ones. After election of officers as recorded above, closed school singing, 'Shining Shore'."



Rome Village, from water color drawing by Edgar Nichols, about 1865

The second church from the left was the first Presbyterian church edifice, built of wood. The tower, which appears as a pointed steeple, has been touched up, and was only half as high as it appears in this picture.

Miss Alger resigned in April and a new journalist was elected, probably G. H. Barnes (Harriet Gertrude), for that name appears on the inside of the back cover. A monthly concert was held on the first Sunday evening. On April 7th, the program consisted of singing, "A Friend That's Ever Near," scripture reading by the superintendent, prayer by Rev. Mr. Barrows, singing, "Children do you love each other?" the reading of the journal of the preceding month, a talk by Mr. Barrows, the recitation of the names of the books of the Old Testament, by a class and a song, "Cross and Crown."

Some of the Sunday School songs used were: "The Happy Home," "Hail, hail this happy day," "Never late," "Jesus ever near," "I'll rise up early in the Morning," "The Gospel Ship," "Lonely Traveler," "A Home beyond the Tide," "Pilgrim Band," and "Haste away to Sabbath School."

The school exchanged libraries with the Orwell Sunday School, and upon their return bought twenty dollars worth of new reading books, the money being raised by Miss Dora Rickey, Lizzie Coolbaugh and Flora Woodburn. On May 12, there were 24 present at a half hour before time. The attendance July 7th was sixty. P. P. Bliss was present a number of times during the summer, and gave an address on "Work and Pray" at the monthly concert July 7.

1868—1874

In 1868, the Rev. Clark Salmon served the church his last year and during the year Miss Caroline Gable was received by confession of faith, and Mrs. Elizabeth Spence by letter from Eddytown. The latter was dismissed in the next year to a church out of town.

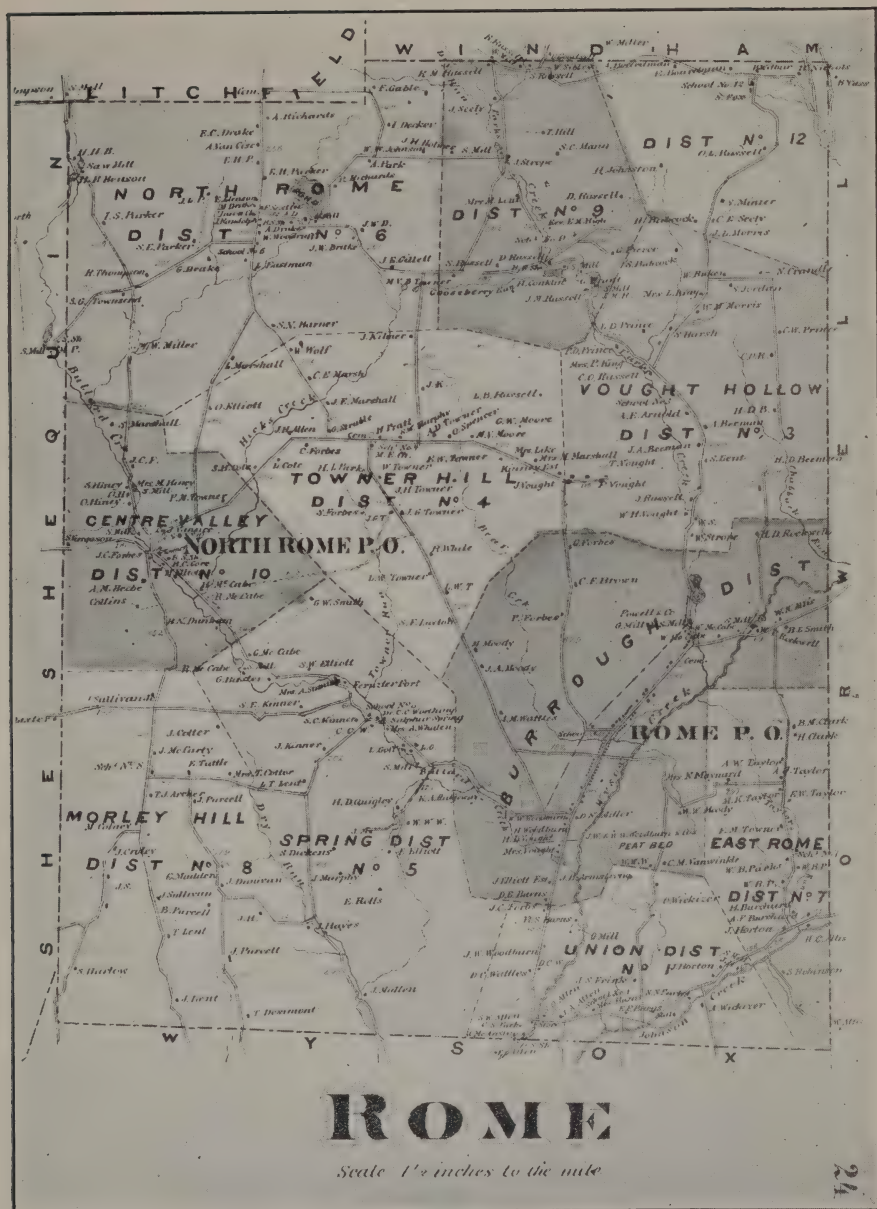
The Rev. S. F. Colt, D.D., was moderator of the session meeting April 10, 1869 when Mr. William Coolbaugh and his wife Margaret (Vought) Coolbaugh were received as members by letter from Wysox, and Mr. Joseph M. Elliott was dismissed to Wyalusing. William Coolbaugh was a son of Benjamin and the brother of Johnson Coolbaugh. On April 17th Messrs. Silas E. Seely and William Coolbaugh were elected elders and on April

20th they were set apart to the office by prayer and laying on of hands. Mrs. William Coolbaugh was the daughter of David and Ellen (Huyck) Vought of Standing Stone. (Edward E. Hoagland, *Coolbaugh Family in America*, p. 23)

On the 17th of July, Mr. John Moray was received by certificate from Christ Church, and his wife Margaret K., from the Presbyterian Church, Towanda. Mr. Moray photographed many views of Rome and Bradford County, to be seen in Beers' *Atlas of Bradford County*, 1869. On Aug. 29, Mr. Adam Kier and his wife Agnes were received as members upon certificate from the Presbyterian Church at Barclay. Their infant son Adam was baptized three months later, Oct. 2, 1869. Mrs. H. G. (Harriet Gates) Salmon was dismissed to Meshoppen, Pa. On Jan. 23, 1870, Robert Kier and his wife Ann became members by letter from Barclay and on Feb. 6th their infant son William was baptized.

During this year of 1869, a weekly newspaper was published. The East Bradford Advocate was printed by D. V. Stedje, who had an office over Frost's Cabinet Shop, and copy of Volume 1, Number 4, is in the house of Mrs. John Woodburn, a member of this Church. Among the advertisements was one by Lizzie Powers (mother of George and Fred Powers) offering 22 music lessons for \$10.00.

On the front page is, first, a column of business directory cards, including more than a dozen from Athens and Towanda, and the following names of persons in business at Rome: O. D. Styles, physician and surgeon, office opposite Presbyterian church. (This is property now of Daugherty heirs.) H. L. Woodburn, surgical and mechanical dentist, office one door north of Baxter's Grocery; Wm. Rice, physician and surgeon, office over Drug Store; Miss Libbie L. Wattles, solicited millinery work; Lizzie Rice (mother of George and Fred Powers) offered 22 music lessons for \$10.00; D. R. Woodburn, with shop one door north of the Academy, was prepared to to do all kinds of smith work except shoeing; Mrs. A. M. Barnes advertised her tailoring business at her residence on Towner Street, north side; A. A. Taylor was prepared to accommodate the traveling public at the Union



Rome Township, 1869

From Beers' Atlas of Bradford County

Hotel, made over from the late residence of H. G. Goff; A. Keefe announced his harness business two doors south of Woodburn's blacksmith shop in a little red building formerly known as Baxter's Grocery.

The second column of the first page is given up to two patent medicine advertisements: Coe's Cough Balsam and Coe's Dyspepsia Cure.

Four columns on the front page are given over to one original poem, five tales and two sketches. On the second page are two columns of current news from United States and abroad, while another column gives an account of the Memorial Day exercises at Towanda.

Another column gives notice of two books, Parsons' Laws of Business, and a Life of Jefferson Davis, and gives a report of the Rome Market, corrected weekly by Whitaker, Crandal & Co., "Dealers in Groceries and Provisions."

Among the items quoted are:

Wheat, \$1.50 to \$1.75; rye, \$1.00; Buckwheat 65c to 75c; Corn, 90c to \$1.00; Oats, 60c to 65c; beans, \$2.00 to \$3.00; dried apples, 12c to 13c; butter, lb. 25c to 30c; lard, lb., 25c to 28c; eggs, dozen, 15c; pork, lb. 20c; hams, lb. 20c to 22c; flour, per barrel, \$9.00 to \$10.00.

In the same column, Miss F. E. Washburn announces new millinery and fancy goods from New York. In the fifth column of the second page is an "ad" of R. S. Barnes' Mill, located one mile below the village; one of Nichols' Store, and one of Hearth and Home, a weekly agricultural and fireside journal.

The last column displayed a furniture "ad" of the Cabinet Shop in Rome boro and three-quarters of the column advertised boots and gaiters, groceries and provisions, for sale by J. Whitaker, J. Crandall and Ed Whitaker.

The third page has a column devoted to "Local Intelligence," and then follows a "Sketch of the Early History of Rome, Pa." which describes, for the most part, the coming of the first settler, Nathaniel Peasley Moody, great-great-grandfather of Mrs. U. M. Holmes, in 1796. He was followed by Godfrey Vought, Henry

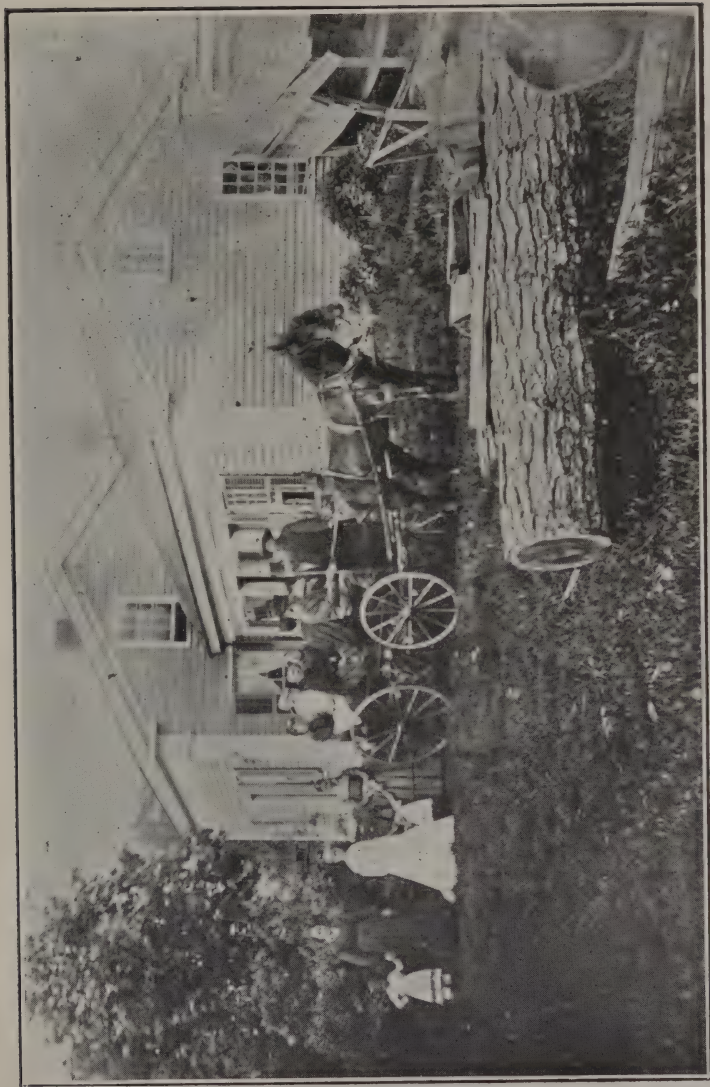
Lent and Frederick Eiklor from Catskill, N. Y. The nearest grist mill was Hinman's at Wysox near the Lanning place. The township was known as Watertown. Wysox is said to have given a part of its area to make up this new township, and originally included what is now Orwell, Pike, Warren and Windham. In 1797 there was not a settler in any of the last four towns. John Parks settled on the place owned in 1869 by D. C. Wattles, now occupied by Leon Bidlack. The first preaching in the township was at the house of John Parks, by Rev. Elisha Cole of Monroe township.

In 1803 at the home of Mr. Parks Mr. Cole performed the first marriage in Rome township when James Lent and Chloe Parks were married. The first birth was that of Nathaniel Moody, in 1798; the first death was that of Mrs. Frederick Eicklor, in 1800. In 1801 Henry Lent froze to death on his way back home from Sheshequin at a place near the line dividing the farms of J. G. Towner and Washington Towner. A second article the week following was to conclude the sketch.

A third of a column was filled with "Local Notices," three of which invited "persons having unsettled accounts to settle." In the next half column is an "ad" of H. W. Baxter and below this is the other half column for George Nichols' store. L. A. Ridgway's Drug Store advertised in the whole fifth column, and the sixth column of the third page was given half to the East Bradford Advocate and half to Wickham & Frost in a general store advertisement.

The first column of the fourth and last page was headed "Temperance Department." D. S. Maynard, editor Rome Lodge, I. O. of G. T. (Independent Order of Grand Templers); meeting every Saturday evening. The whole column contained temperance matter, and included a list of the officers of the Athens lodge of Grand Templers, among whom are the names of six women.

The second column was for "Farm, Garden and Kitchen," and readers were requested to contribute articles. In this column was a long paragraph on "Suggestions About Summer Fallows," and a clipping selection on "The Apple Worm."



At the Young home in 1870, (left to right) Child of Clark Willson, Mrs. Lydia Bliss, Lora Willson, Clark Willson (behind Lora), Child of Clark Willson, Mrs. Clark Willson; in the wagon, called the Gospel Ship, Clara Young Ellsworth, Lizzie Young, Ella Young, Betsy Ridgeway Allen, Lucy Young Bliss, P. P. Bliss (standing), O. F. Young (driving), George Romeo Young, John L. Ellsworth, Allen Peter Young.

Payne's Furniture Store, Waverly, N. Y., advertised in the whole of the third column.

James S. Murray and Horace H. Eldred's Insurance Agency of Waverly advertised in the fourth column. The other two columns are filled with miscellaneous "ads," the only local ones of interest being the railroad time table for trains between Towanda and Waverly, one of the "Waverly Enterprise," (only 50 cents a year), and one of the Rome Furnace; A. M. Joslyn and Son, proprietors, who offered Iron Beam plows, with "old iron taken in exchange."

On June 3, 1870, a certificate of dismisson was given to Mr. Johnson R. Coolbaugh and his wife Melida Laura Maynard, to join the Presbyterian Church at Waverly, N. Y. He died Dec. 17, 1885; she, Sept. 23, 1894, at Elmira, N. Y. Burial was at Rome.

In the first of the year 1871 the Church engaged the services of a new minister, the Rev. Faber Byllesby, who was serving the Orwell Presbyterian Church. The church membership was 30. He served till 1874.

Members received under his ministry by letter were: Mrs. Elizabeth Spalding, back from Vineland, N. J.; Mrs. Anna E. Madison (formerly Mrs. Cannan), from Mahoning; Mrs. Lizzie Forbes from Potterville. Mrs. P. L. Chrispell joined by confession of faith. Fifteen received letters of dismission, ordered granted between 1870 and 1874, to the following: Mrs. Augusta Evans (formerly Eastman) to Nichols, N. Y.; Mrs. Eliza Elliott to Mansfield; Mrs. Della Barnes McCabe to Pittston; Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Bliss to Chicago; Mrs. G. H. Coburn (formerly Gertrude Barnes) to Orwell; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Osborn to Nichols; Mrs. Henrietta C. Case to Towanda; Mrs. Nancy Rolls to Libertyville, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. John Moray to Milton; Mr. O. W. Young to Chicago; Miss Olive Elliott; Mrs. Louisa Maynard; Mrs. Daniel Stevens to LeRaysville.

The membership reported in 1874 was 22.

Mr. Byllesby baptized in October, 1871 David Ditchburn, infant son of Adam and Agnes Kier, and Sept. 21, 1873, James

and Agnes twins of Adam and Agnes Kier. Agnes married Lester Phillips of North Orwell, has children, Isadore and Irving (twins) and Alberta Marguerite Phillips. Alberta married June 12, 1941, Mr. Jacob Hennip, brother of Miss Anna Hennip, a present member of the church, children of Henry and Hattie (Meyer) Hennip of Rome Township.

By the will of Mrs. Louise Avery of Rome, Pa., deceased March 14, 1871, widow of George, the church trustees were bequeathed \$525 to be invested in the parsonage, with the provision that the Avery cemetery lot be cared for by the trustees.

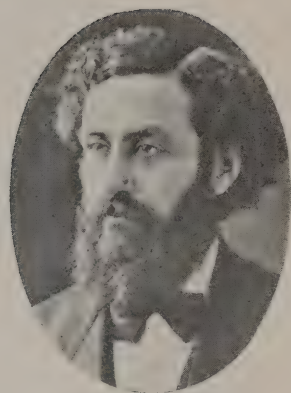
In July, 1875 Dr. Myron Wheaton and Jane, his wife, together with Mrs. Thresa Towner were admitted as members. In 1878 the Wheatons took letters to a Presbyterian Church in Wilkes-Barre, and in 1877 Mrs. Towner became a member of the Canton Church. Other members taking letters of dismission near this time were: Mrs. Emma Lent (formerly Ercanbrack); Elder B. Gates and Sophia, his wife, to Canton; P. L. Crispell joined a Baptist church in New Jersey.

Baptisms on July 11, 1875 administered by Rev. Darius Cook were to Dr. Myron Wheaton, Lizzie Young, daughter of A. P. and Melita Mann Young, and Barbara Cora, daughter of Dr. Myron and Jane Wheaton.

Rev. Clark Salmon baptized Oct. 29, 1876 Anna Dysdle, infant daughter of Adam and Agnes Kier.

In the eleven years which passed from the time of their taking their church letters to the First Congregational Church of Chicago in 1865 P. P. Bliss and his wife Lucy Young Bliss lived a full life. Mr. Bliss compiled a number of musical volumes for classes, schools, conventions, Sunday schools and gospel meetings, and earned part of his living teaching music and holding singing conventions. He composed many pieces of music, at first mostly secular, but in the last several years of his short life he devoted himself to sacred music and poetry, especially for gospel services.

The secular numbers included "Tis the Heart Makes the Home," "Loving Little Lou," "The Photograph," "Room for One More," "Mr. Lordly and I," "The Tin Wedding," (written



Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Bliss

ten years after his marriage, and sung at a party at Rome), "Sire and Son," "When Grandmother is Gone."

A number of his sacred compositions were published in 1870 in "The Prize," a collection of hymns for Sunday schools, by John Church & Co. He edited "The Charm" in 1871, a similar collection. In 1873 he published "Sunshine for Sunday Schools." He also compiled "The Joy" and included some of his compositions for use by classes, choirs and singing conventions then held so widely. "The Song Tree" was a book of more difficult music for concerts.

As early as 1869 he had come in contact with Mr. Dwight L. Moody at a theatre gospel meeting in Chicago. One Sunday evening he and Mrs. Bliss were out walking before church time and passing up Clark Street, came upon an open air meeting where an earnest speaker closed with an appeal for his listeners to follow him to Wood's Museum, at the corner of Randolph Street. Bliss and his wife went, and finding that Mr. Moody was without his usual leader for the singing, helped out from the audience with the hymns and attracted Mr. Moody's attention. At the close of the meeting Moody shook hands with all passing out and when P. P. Bliss came to him got his name and history in about two minutes, and a promise to help with the singing when in the city on Sunday evenings.

A few years afterward at the repeated urgings of Mr. Moody, and after doing much singing in gospel meetings Bliss finally decided to give up his private work of teaching music and conducting schools and conventions for the purpose of devoting his whole time to the singing of the gospel in connection with its being preached by Major D. W. Whittle, who had given up a position with a salary of \$5,000 per year with the Elgin Watch Company, and who later wrote the *Memoirs of P. P. Bliss*, published in 1877. Bliss himself at this time had, according to his diary, "plenty of convention engagements at one hundred dollars for four days."

The John Church Company published in 1874 "Gospel Songs, a Choice Collection of Hymns and Tunes," edited by Bliss, who

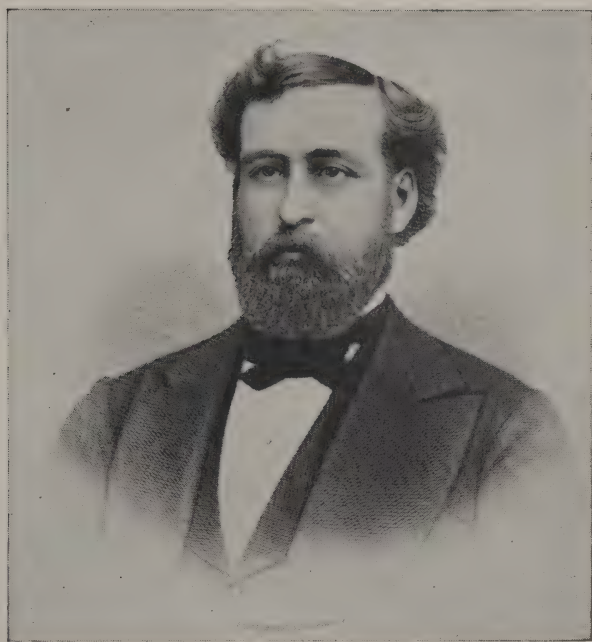
composed or wrote fifty-four of the selections. The next year P. P. Bliss and Ira D. Sankey compiled "Gospel Hymns and Sacred Songs." A new volume by these two, called "Gospel Hymns, No. 2," was published by Biglow and Main and the John Church Company after the death of Mr. Bliss. The creative activity of P. P. Bliss was cut short by a railroad disaster near Ashtabula, Ohio.

After a Christmas holiday visit with their children, parents and friends at Rome, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Bliss were returning to Chicago December 29th, 1876, to assist D. L. Moody in gospel meetings when their passenger train crashed through a railroad bridge at Ashtabula, Ohio. The eleven wooden cars were soon afire from the kerosene lamps upset by the fall of the cars into the ravine into which they fell. It was intensely cold and the accident occurred during a dark night in the midst of a severe blizzard. Some eighty persons lost their lives. "It is thought that the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Bliss were consumed to ashes, since nothing recognizable as belonging to their earthly tabernacle has ever been discovered."

On Christmas night he had conducted the union prayer-meeting at the Baptist church, after which he gave the encouragement of his patronage and influence at the festival of the Patrons of Temperance which was being held at the Academy that evening.

The funeral services were conducted in the old Presbyterian church Sunday, January 7, 1877, morning and afternoon, by Rev. E. P. Goodwin of Chicago, and Major D. W. Whittle of Louisville, who later wrote a volume entitled *Memoirs of P. P. Bliss*, published by A. S. Barnes Company, New York, 1877.

A cenotaph to the Blissess was dedicated in Rome cemetery July 10, 1877 in the presence of one of the largest crowds of people ever gathered in Bradford County, up to that time. A large sum of money had been raised by contributions from Sunday Schools and prominent men throughout the country. Among the ten thousand estimated to have been present were Messrs. D. L. Moody, chairman for the day, Ira D. Sankey, George C. Stebbins, John McGranahan, and John Wanamaker. The local committee



P. P. Bliss

was made up of John Passmore, W. H. Shaw, A. A. Taylor, S. E. Seeley, G. W. Stone, W. P. Arnold, S. L. Wells, John Vought, D. D. Barnes. The sum of ten thousand six hundred dollars was set aside as a trust fund for the education of the two orphan boys, Philip Paul and George Goodwin. They were committed with prayer to the care of Mr. John Ellsworth and his wife who was a sister of Mrs. Bliss.

The monument stands twenty-four feet high, and is four feet square at the base. This description is given in the *Philadelphia Ledger* of June 30, 1877. On the second base is the inscription, "Their names shall live," on the front. A moulding above this second base received the die, and above this is the shaft, twelve feet high, on which is carved a lyre, with broken strings and the name "Bliss" and the passage, "Thy statutes have been my song in the house of my pilgrimage."—Ps. 119:54. Above this shaft is a cap to receive a draped urn.

On the main front: "Erected by the Sunday Schools of the United States and Great Britain, in response to the invitation of D. L. Moody, as a memorial to Philip P. Bliss, author of 'Hold the Fort,' and other Gospel songs."

On the right hand side: "Through a living faith in Jesus Christ they died in the blessed hope of a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. They lived in expectation of the return of the Lord Jesus, and the gathering together to Him; their spirits are with the Lord." Then follows a quotation of 1 Thess. 4:13, 14, 16, 17.

On the left side: "Philip P. Bliss, Lucy Young Bliss. 'Lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in death they were not divided.'" —2 Samuel 1:23.

On the back front: "Sacred to the memory of Philip P. Bliss, born in Clearfield County, Pa., July 9, 1838, and Lucy Young Bliss, his wife, born in Rome, Bradford County, Pa., March 14, 1841; who left their home in this village Thursday morning, December 28, 1876 for Chicago, and met their death at Ashtabula, Ohio, Friday evening, December 29, 1876, by the falling of a bridge, by which a train of cars was broken into fragments and

consumed by fire, some eighty persons being killed. It is thought that the bodies of Mr. & Mrs. Bliss were consumed to ashes, since nothing recognizable as belonging to their earthly tabernacle has even been discovered."

An illustrated circular advertising a book, *The Ashtabula Disaster*, by Rev. Stephen D. Peet of Ashtabula was found among old papers in the Oscar F. Young home. A large cut shows the scene of the broken bridge, burning cars and people running to help. The book had a chapter about P. P. Bliss; said that the engineer committed suicide; gave the coroner's verdict, and contained 35 chapters. The author was present and aided in caring for the wounded, assisting in search for bodies and helping the friends of victims.

CHAPTER VI

ERECTION OF SECOND CHURCH

The Church and Sunday School membership continued to increase steadily during the ensuing decade up to the time of the erection of a new church in 1886.

The Rev. William McNab was moderator of the session in August, 1877. He was also the minister of the church at Orwell Aug. 26, 1877 to Aug. 26, 1879. In his first year, Miss Nannie Maria Miller, Mrs. Abigail (Rogers) Taylor, native of Warren township, mother of the late Phil H. Taylor of Rome, and Mr. Joseph Cook were received into membership, the first two being baptized at the time, and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Coolbaugh brought letters back from the Waverly Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Julia Forbes came by letter from the LeRaysville Congregational Church.

Mr. Robert Kier and his wife Ann were dismissed to the Athens Presbyterian Church. Mr. McNab baptized Aug. 24, 1879 Margaret Ann, infant daughter of Adam and Agnes Kier, now Mrs. Luther Phillips of North Orwell.

Mr. McNab was remembered by Mrs. Cora B. Marsh as using the words in a sermon text, "wax-ed and grow-ed fat." He drove a Shetland pony. One Sunday he gave out the hymn, "Blow Ye the Trumpet," and suffering from catarrh, blew his nose in such a way as to make a sound like a trumpet.

He was succeeded by the Rev. Howard Cornell, from Syracuse Presbytery, who became moderator in 1880, who was supply minister of the Orwell church till October, 1884, his total salary being \$700 for the last year. In April, 1880, six persons joined the Rome church by profession of faith:

David Halliday and Emma (Taylor) Allis, (grandparents of Mrs. Foster Sterling, Towanda);

Isaac J. Seely and Margaret (McKinney), his wife;

William N. Allis, father of David Halliday; and Hattie E. Miller, aunt of Mrs. Cora Barns Marsh.

On Jan. 2, 1881, Mrs. Nettie Van Winkle was received by letter from the Congregational Church at Minneapolis, Minn., and Mrs. Emilie Cole was granted a letter to the Presbyterian Church, Osceola, Nebr. The same day Miss Phronie Woodburn was examined and received into the church. She was afterwards (1889) to marry a minister of the Rome Church, Rev. F. E. Bessey.

At the Easter service in 1881 Mr. Cornell, who married a Miss Kirby of Athens, Pa., received the following into membership upon examination:

Mr. Anson B. Cass and Mrs. Frances C. Cass;

John A. Allen (son of Joseph) and Helen (Brown) Allen, parents of Mertie, wife of Darley W. Cowles of Orwell;

Thomas Matteson, grandfather of Mrs. George Manchester, and Mrs. Earl Howe Farrar of Orwell;

Mary E. Hiney; Darwina R. (Miller) Barns, sister of Hattie Miller, widow of Allen Weston Barns who died before Petersburg, Va., Dec. 28, 1864; Miss Cora I. Barns, her daughter, who married Guy Marsh, and died March 11, 1941 at the age of 78. Miss Lizzie Young daughter of Allen Peter Young (Mrs. Lizzie Watson); and Miss Carrie M. Whitney who was born May 2, 1859, daughter of Charles C. Whitney, and sister of Charles Whitney. She married Professor C. M. Turton, a teacher of higher mathematics and science who was employed at the Western Reserve Seminary and Normal College, West Farmington, Trumbull County, Ohio, and her death occurred April 24, 1890. She was an accomplished music teacher, the obituary of her death saying she "exchanged her musical sphere here below for the brighter and sweeter music of heaven . . . She not only touched the piano keys with delicacy and skill, but she touched the heart strings of every one she knew by her purity of life, kindness and sympathy for others, brilliance of accomplishments, devotion to her life work, and love for all that is pure and good." Her remains rest in the Wysox cemetery, lot 185. (The above

information was taken from clippings from "The Normal Signal," dated April 30, and May 7, 1890.)

The annual report showed 30 communicant members, and 65 members in the Sunday School. Contributions for local work were \$186, for benevolences, \$23.

In applying to the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. for the sum of \$100 or more to aid in obtaining the services of the Rev. Howard Cornell for another year beginning April 1, 1881 the trustees and elders of the church set forth their reasons.

First, they said, "Mr. Cornell is engaged in no other calling than the ministry and is connected with our presbytery." Second, "rich spiritual blessings came to us and our community as the fruit of your aid last year: seven persons united with our little church by profession and one by letter, and at our communion April 3rd last, ten came to us on profession of their faith in Christ, a result of an interesting revival in February last in a near neighborhood where one of our elders some time ago established a S. School.

"Previous to our application for aid last year our church numbered 22; it now numbers 38, an increase of 16, and all but one by profession, the fruit of Mr. Cornell's labors for the past 15 months . . . These results have greatly strengthened us spiritually, have largely increased our little force of workers, helped us somewhat financially and largely increased our power for good. . .

"The far greater part of the population of our village and the surrounding community are non-church goers, have not as yet been brought under the direct influence of the Gospel; the most of these families (or people) if reached at all by the Gospel must be reached by us. The other churches have very slight hold upon this class . . . During the last year some seven of these neglected families have become regular attendants upon and supporters of our services and our work in this respect is not yet done.

"We beg to remind the Board that our little church has sent out many efficient Christian workers who are now chiefly in city churches doing noble work for Christ. The Board is doubtless

aware that our little church gave the world the late Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Bliss who together publicly professed Christ and united with us June 4, 1859 . . .

"Our village numbers 350 or 360 inhabitants with a slight tendency to increase and is composed wholly of *Americans*. The people are intelligent and social. There is considerable trading and some manufacturing with a good farming community surrounding. Our fair weather attendance for the last 6 months has been 63. Our people are poor but give nobly for the support of the Gospel. The wealth of the place is outside of the churches but we hope this will not always be.

"Last year we were able to raise \$150, for minister's salary. The total amount of salary we propose to make up is \$900." (The Orwell church was expected to make up part of this amount.) The Rome Baptist church was stated to have a membership of eight, and the Methodist Episcopal church to have had about the same membership and congregation as the Presbyterian, though financially somewhat abler. The population of the township was said to be about 1500.

In the year ending March 31, 1882, a Mrs. Sheldon was received by letter from the Presbyterian Church of Corning, N. Y., and Mr. Myron Little Dunn by examination. He later married Susan Elizabeth Eastman, daughter of Calvin J. Eastman, of Orwell. Mrs. Clara E. (Young) Ellsworth was dismissed with a letter not naming a specific church (1882). Mr. Solomon Spalding took a letter to the Congregational Church at Cortland, N. Y. in 1883. On Easter Sunday, 1883, Miss Julia M. Seeley and Miss Olive A. Whitney, daughter of A. J. and Olive (Maynard) Whitney, later married to William Lester Madill, became members.

On Sept. 29, 1884, Miss Montgomery Kier was examined and received into church membership at a session meeting held at the home of her father, Adam Kier. He was the father also of Campbell Kier, who was baptized at the same time. Mr. Cornell left to go to East Palmyra, N. Y., in October of this year.

The Rev. Frances E. Bessey was moderator of the session meeting Feb. 6, 1886, when the following 19 persons became members by confession of faith:

Mr. L. N. Sweet, a blacksmith who lived where Mrs. Julia Cass does now; Mr. Augustus Smith and his wife Phebe;

Mrs. Emma (Vought) Rifenburgh, wife of Frank M.;

Ada B. Layton, Samuel Layton, Stella Layton, William Layton, all members of the same family, residents of Towner Hill;

William A. Barnes, dismissed the next year to the Owego Prebyterian Church, a hypnotist said to have committed suicide in Boston Station;

Mrs. Ella McGovern, wife of Phillip, mother of Mrs. Irene Tyrrell of Rome and of Mrs. Eugene Means of Towanda;

Miss Nellie Hicks, Miss May Hicks, with their mother Charlotte (Mann) Hicks, wife of F. M. Hicks who was the youngest (13 years and 8 months of age) drummer boy of Bradford County to enlist in the Civil War;

George Mackey, adopted son of Peter;

Jimmie Kilmer, Maggie Kilmer (married Dr. Robert G. Rice, died March 1, 1895) and Mamie Kilmer, who married first John Wattles Woodburn, second, Morgan Hopler of Johnson City, N. Y.;

Miss Georgia Cass, adopted daughter of Anson B. Cass, who lived opposite the church;

Miss Mertie E. Allen, daughter of J. A. and Helen (Brown) Allen, married D. W. Cowles, died in 1925, with burial at Orwell.

Thirteen of these persons were baptized; also Irene, born Oct. 19, 1885, daughter of Mrs. Ella (Compton) McGovern. She later married William A. Tyrrell (1885-1932), and now lives in Rochester, N. Y., where her daughter, Florence is employed as a graduate nurse. Baptism was administered also to Emma and Margaret, daughters of Mrs. Harriet A. Barnes. Margaret married Mr. A. Summers who died. She lives at 135-30 95 St., Ozone Park, Long Island.

Those received by letter into church membership were: Mr. Frank M. Rifenburgh, Mrs. Lottie M. (Simons) Kilmer, mother of Jimmie, Maggie and Mamie; Mrs. Jennie Carter (sister of Myron Dunn); and Mrs. Harriet A. Barnes. Mrs. Barnes, whose maiden name was Beebe, was the sister of Abner, and was the wife of William Barnes, and mother of the William A. Barnes who joined at the same time. A daughter, Hattie, married Percy Browning, and lives at 15 Cherry St., Johnson City, N. Y. Other children in the family were, Ella, Harry, who moved to California; Charles, who became a physician; and Mary.

In April, 1886 four more became members: First named was John Martin Prince (son of L. David Prince). He later became a physician, married Mae Rockwell (born 1869), granddaughter of John Burrows Mallory Hinman of Monroeton, died at Miami, Florida (with burial at Rome) by whose will a bequest of \$5,000 was made to the Robert Packer Hospital of Sayre, Pa., which became effective at the death of his wife in 1938. The second was Aurice Carey, daughter of Miles D. Carey and his wife Catherine Miller, who themselves were examined and received into church membership in the month of July following, and who were the parents also of Edmund Carey of Warren Center, Pa., and Ella Carey who married Truman B. Barnes of Rome; Aurice later became the wife of Horace Doty and moved to Pocatella, Idaho. Mrs. M. D. Carey died Oct. 12, 1891. The third member joining at this time was Hattie Layton, sister of Stella.

The fourth to become a member and be baptized April 4, 1886 was Bessie Lou Sickler, who was known in Rome as Louie Woodburn, because at the death at Rome of her mother Betsy F. Sickler (Jan. 26, 1872) soon after Bessie Lou's birth she was taken into the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Jane Woodburn, wife of Hiram. Bessie Lou's father was George Wilson Sickler who was born in Wysox June 18, 1827, the son of Reuben and Sally Ann (Charlot) Sickler, the latter the daughter of Enoch and Rachael (Starr) Charlot of Montclair, N. J. He was married Oct. 19, 1853 by Rev. Darwin Cook to Betsy F. Woodburn, born in Rome March 24, 1833, the daughter of Hiram and Jane Ridgeway Woodburn. George W. Sickler died in Marshall, Minnesota,

May 22, 1916, at the home of his son Frank Woodburn Sickler who was born at Rockford, Illinois, Oct. 21, 1856, died at Marshall, Minn., Dec. 2, 1937, leaving a wife and five children: Florence, Frances, Wallace, Howard, and Robert. Frances married F. S. Birkenmeyer and lives at 72 South Irving Terrace, Kenmore, N. Y. Another son of George and Betsy Sickler was Clarence Avery, born at Sheshequin, Pa., Aug. 6, 1858, who died in the west, the place being unknown. Bessie Lou Sickler was born in Rome, Dec. 21, 1871 and married Nov. 12, 1890, Walter Irving who was born Feb. 11, 1857 at Glen Cove, N. Y., the son of John Treat and Helen (Schermerhorn) Irving, both of New York. He died Dec. 30, 1916. Burial was at Greenwood Cemetery, New York City. They had two sons, Walter Van Cortlandt, born July 13, 1901 at East Orange, N. J., a graduate of Columbia University, 1924; and Harold Irving, born Dec. 5, 1904 at East Orange, who married in 1927 Louise McCracken of California. Mrs. Bessie Lou Irving was named by P. P. Bliss. He and his wife, Lucy Young Bliss, were close friends of Mrs. Irving's mother, Betsy F. Sickler. Mr. Bliss gave the name Bessie for her mother whose name was Betsy, and the name Lou for his wife, whose name was Lucy.

These accessions nearly doubled the church membership and the erection of a new church was begun. A deed dated June 29, 1886, conveyed five-eighths of an acre from Nancy E. Maynard to the church trustees for \$400. Witnesses were W. S. Kinney and F. C. Cranmer. A copy of the deed follows.

DEED of Nancy E. Maynard to

Trustees of First Presbyterian Church of Rome.

This INDENTURE, made the 29th day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six

Between Nancy E. Maynard of the boro of Rome, County of Bradford, Pa. of the first part, and the Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Rome, County and State aforesaid, and to their successors, of the second part:

Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Four Hundrad Dollars, lawful money

of the United States of America, well and truly paid by the said party of the second part to the said party of the first part, and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, aliened enfeoffed, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien enfeoff, release, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part their successors, all of a certain lot Situated in Rome Boro, Pa. Bounded as follows viz.

Beginning at the West corner of Geo. S. Kinney's lot, on the hill road, thence by the south line of the same south forty seven and a half degrees east twenty one and three fourth perches to Main Street, Thence along Main Street south forty two and a half degrees west, four and 18/100 perches to the north east corner of S. E. Seeley's lot. Thence by the line of the same north forty seven and a half degrees west twenty six and five tenths perches to the hill road. Thence along the same south eighty seven degrees East six and three tenth perches to the beginning, containing five eights of an acre more or less. (and so forth to the end)

In Witness Whereof, the said party of the first part hath hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of

Nancy E. Maynard (Seal)

W. S. Kinney
F. C. Cranmer.

(Acknowledged before W. S. Kinney, J. P., August 18, 1886).

Recorded on the 27 day of September A.D. 1886 in the Recorder's Office in Deed Book Vol. 167, Page 313 etc.

A. D. Munn (B) Recorder.
Fees \$1.85

The activity of Mr. Bessey was instrumental in the erection of the new brick church. The reported congregational expenses for the year 1886 and the one following total \$3,029. If \$500.00 is allowed for salary and other expenses, it may be estimated that \$2,529 was donated for the building. In addition, the Lackawanna Presbytery aided by securing a non-interest bearing loan grant of eight hundred dollars. This means that about \$3,329 was put into the erection of the building. Presumably the sale of the old church and lot financed the purchase of the new lot.

The church is of brick veneer construction, with slate roof and bell tower over the southeast corner where the front entrance is. It has a number of stained glass windows to the memory of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Seely, Rev. F. E. Bessey, and Mr. George Nichols. The last named had a store business, very profitable during the Civil War, in the building now occupied by the store of Mrs. F. Augusta Allen. Mrs. Lizzie Powers, mother of Elder Fred R. Powers, was a half sister of George Nichols. Miss Amanda Rice, Mrs. Lizzie Rice Powers, and her sons Fred and George lived where Mr. F. R. Powers lives now.

Mr. John Wanamaker of Philadelphia donated to the congregation for their use in the new church building a silver communion set. Mr. F. M. Hicks made the communion table at the same time, at a cost of approximately \$35, according to his son George. It is related that he said to one not in the habit of attending church services, "Take a good look at this table, for this is the last time you'll ever see it!" Mr. and Mrs. John A. Allen donated and set out the ivy now growing on the walls of the church. The two cane seated arm chairs beside the communion table were the pulpit chairs in the old church. A seven piece pewter communion set used in the old building is still in the possession of the church. The linen table cloth for the communion table was the gift of Charles Ellsworth, and was hemstitched by Mrs. Corydon Barnes, sister of Mrs. P. P. Bliss.

Mrs. Emily V. Rice, musing about the bell in the old church which some thought should be replaced by a new bell for the new church, wrote, "There seems to be a melancholy about it, as if

speaking to the old church, and it awakens a poetic feeling that I am inadequate to express . . . It would like to speak of the time of its primitive grandeur when fond hands fastened it to its place in the belfry, thinking it a treasure only equalled, not excelled, of its glad tones when it first called together the children of God, its mellow, soft refrain as it tolled the sad tidings of one whose music still echoes from the old vale and the sadness when it feels that it is not fitted to fill its place in its new position." The "sad tidings of one whose music still echoes from the old vale" refers to the tragic death and the funeral services of P. P. Bliss. The bell is the one still used.

Mrs. Emily V. Rice circulated a subscription paper, by which the individual communion set now in use was obtained.

The church was completed so as to be ready for dedication in December, 1886. But the members were of a mind to elect as their permanent pastor the man who was so effective in the matter of erecting the new church edifice.

After due notice two Sundays preceding, a congregational meeting was held Dec. 5, 1886, and Mr. Bessey was elected pastor, and A. B. Cass, A. P. Young, and A. Smith were elected elders.

The new church was dedicated Dec. 21, 1886, 2 p. m. The Rev. Mr. Bessey was installed as pastor at the evening service.

The program of dedication was as follows.

1. Doxology
2. Reading of Scripture
3. Hymn, "Arise O King of Grace," No. 568, Presbyterian Hymnal, (entered in Library of Congress, 1874.)
4. Prayer
5. Solo, Mrs. O. A. Baldwin, of Towanda
6. Sermon, Rev. C. S. Logan, D.D.
7. Service of Dedication: Ps. 84 and Act of Dedication, with dedicatory prayed by Rev. J. S. Stewart, D.D., Towanda
8. Hymn, "An Earthly Temple Here We Raise," No. 956.
9. Benediction

At the evening service Mr. O. Warren Young sang the solo, "Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah;" Rev. Charles Beecher of Wysox, brother of Henry Ward Beecher, preached the installation sermon; Rev. P. S. Kohler, of Monroeton, gave the charge to the people; and Rev. David Craft the charge to the pastor.

On New Year's Day, 1887, Truman B. Barnes and his wife Ella Carey, joined by profession of faith. Mr. Louis Waldo and his wife Lizzie joined by letter from the First Presbyterian Church of Elmira, N. Y. Mr. Waldo purchased the P. P. Bliss home now occupied by Mr. D. S. Rice. Mr. Clarence J. Marshall came by letter from Towanda Presbyterian Church. He became State Veterinarian and a professor in the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, died in 1938, burial being at Towner Hill, near the home of his sister, Mrs. Campbell Kier.

The 1939 volume of *Who's Who in America* gives an interesting account of the career of Dr. Clarence J. Marshall. He was born in Rome Township, March 13, 1864, the son of James E. and Margaret Ann (Swetland) Marshall. He graduated from the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute at Towanda, in 1889, received the degree of Doctor of Veterinarian Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in 1894, from which institution he also received the degree of Doctor of Science. He married Nov. 19, 1896 Augusta Stevens of Towanda. He was house surgeon of the veterinarian department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1894 and 1895; engaged in private practice from 1894 to 1910, was professor of veterinarian medicine in the University of Pennsylvania since 1910; was state veterinarian of Pennsylvania from 1911 to 1919. He was commissioned major in the Veterinarian Corps Oct. 5, 1917; lieutenant colonel Feb. 6, 1918; discharged Feb. 20, 1919. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Order (British), and was an honorary member of the Royal College of Veterinarian Surgeons of Great Britain. He was a member and ex-president of the American, Pennsylvania State, and Keystone Veterinarian Medical Associations. He was a Republican, a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellow Lodges, and of the Universalist Church at his death which occurred at his home at 5031 Pine Street, Philadelphia.

A group of members were received January 12, 1887: Mr. Charles C. Whitney, Mr. A. M. Beebe and his wife Emma, Mrs. Grace (Kinney) Towner (wife of Mahlon L.), and Miss Alice Johnson, all of whom were baptized, together with Jennie Kilmer, who died from scarlet fever while serving as a nurse, daughter of Mrs. Lottie Kilmer, and Florence McGovern, now Mrs. Eugene Means of Towanda.

Miss Alice Johnson was the daughter of Frank and Julia (Hutchinson) Johnson of LeRaysville. She married Charles L. Wilmot, died leaving three children: Sylvia, who married Elmer Russell, lives at Horseheads, N. Y.; Clara, who married William Moon of Binghamton, N. Y.; and Frances, who was brought up by Claude B. Wilmot, married Jack Wakefield, and lives at 3 Roosevelt Ave., Binghamton.

Charles Carroll Whitney, first mentioned of those joining Jan. 12, 1887, born Dec. 15, 1832, died March 31, 1916, was the sixth of eight children born to Alvin and Mary (Woodburn) Whitney of Wysox township. He married Margaret Vought, daughter of William Vought, and lived where Mrs. Susie Camp now lives, about halfway between Wysox and Rome, about 100 yards north of the main road.

The children of Charles C. and Margaret Whitney were:

Carrie M., who became a member on Easter Sunday, 1881 (see page 108).

Charles Alvin, born Jan. 2, 1866, who married first Miss Nellie Hicks, second, Edna Light, third Miss Susie Green, died July 16, 1933, leaving three children—Mrs. May Terry (by first wife), and Earnest Eugene and Margaret, by third wife, who married, 1938, Joseph E. Camp, and lives at the homestead. Mr. Camp died Nov. 23, 1941.

Elizabeth, who married William Johnson, died June 24, 1940, in Athens, with burial at Wysox.

A brother of Charles Carroll Whitney, Andrew Jackson Whitney, had a number of children who were members of the Rome Presbyterian Church. Andrew Jackson Whitney married Olive A. Maynard, daughter of Lemuel and Amanda (Cranmer) Maynard. He was born Jan. 2, 1829, died Feb. 2, 1914. She was born June 24, 1838, and died March 6, 1911. They had children: William P., Minnie Helen, Andrew Jackson, Jr., Olive Amelia, Thomas Wierman, Ruth Maynard Whitney.

William P. Whitney lived at Osceola, Pa., married Josephine Thomas, and had three children: Elizabeth, who married Samuel Irvine of Tyrone, and had a son, Samuel; Minnie, who married Paul Guelich, lived at Phillipsburg, Pa.; and Maynard, who has a family.

Minnie Helen married Charles Study of Tyrone, Pa., and had children: (1) Jackson Whitney Study of Philadelphia; (2) Adolphus La Porte Study of California, who married Beulah ———, daughter of a Methodist minister of Kansas; (3) Georgiana, who married Dr. Frank W. Pogue of Trafford, Pa. and has children:—Dr. Jackson Pogue, resident physician in pathology at the Marine Hospital Portland, Me.; James, a commercial artist; and Robert, a student at Carnegie Institute of Technology. (4) Marguerite, who married Jerry Lovet, of Milwaukee, Wisc.

Andrew Jackson was born in 1862, married Mary Grace Hoover, who was born in 1863, and died in 1932, about a year after her husband's death. They had three children: (1) Sarah Harbison Whitney who married Dr. Roy L. Scott of Buffalo, and has one daughter Jane; (2) Andrew Jackson Whitney (III), who married Olive Woodburn, and has children—Andrew Jackson (IV), and William Cranmer; (3) Richard Benton Whitney, who married Alberta Bennett of Rome and has children—Betty Grace, married to Robert M. Thorpe, of Orwell township; Emilie Jean, Esther Clark, and Richard, Jr.

Olive Amelia, born Oct. 11, 1867, married William Lester Madill, son of Dr. Thomas F. Madill of Wysox, and died Dec. 22, 1914. A son, Thomas Weston Madill, lives at Lake Carey, near Tunkhannock, Pa.

Thomas Wierman married Elizabeth Goff of Rome, and had children:—Daisy, Norman Edward, and Thomas, who is in the navy. Elizabeth (Goff) Whitney died in April, 1932.

Ruth Maynard Whitney, last named of the six children of Andrew Jackson and Olive (Maynard) Whitney, lives at Rome, and is an active member of the church.

Another group of members joined April 2, 1887: Mrs. Kate Layton, Mrs. Armena (Brown) Robinson, wife of Sylvester, mother of George: Mrs. Martha C. (Parks) Allen, wife of Stephen Oney Allen, mother of Mrs. Hattie Crum of Athens, and Mrs. Lottie Russell, late of Nichols, N. Y., who was the mother of Allen Russell, Nichols; Mr. Isaac Beebe; Miss Lizzie Allen, daughter of John A. and Helen (Brown) Allen; Miss Viola Lent, sister of Mrs. Rhoda Barnes (Mrs. William S.); Miss Nellie Hankinson, now Mrs. L. E. French, R. 3, Norristown, Pa.; Miss Ina Smith, daughter of A. and Phebe Smith, and now living in Sayre; Miss Lizzie Dimon, now Mrs. Burt Conklin, Rome; Mrs. O. F. Young, by certificate from the Congregational Church of Richford, N. Y. She was the second wife of Mr. Young. Rev. F. E. Bessey presented his certificate of dismission from the Plymouth Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., made

famous by the preaching of Henry Ward Beecher, whose brother, Charles was at that time the minister of the Wysox church. The presenting of a membership certificate from a church by a minister was irregular in that ministers in the Presbyterian system are members of Presbytery, rather than of particular congregations.

On April 13, Mrs. Emily Rice, wife of Dr. William Rice; Mrs. Margaret Whitney, wife of Charles C. Whitney; Mrs. R. C. Vosburg and Mrs. Beecher Vosburg were examined as to their faith and admitted to membership. Mrs. Whitney and Mr. Vosburg were baptized. Emma Hankinson was also received.

In 1888, Miss Amanda Rice, daughter of Hiram and Amanda (Guernsey) Rice, was received by profession of faith; Mrs. Lizzie M. Powers, her sister, by certificate from the Episcopal Church at Norwich, N. Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. Louis T. Waldo were dismissed by letter to the First Presbyterian Church of Elmira. Mr. Isaac M. Beebe went to the Third Presbyterian Church of Chicago, and Mrs. C. M. Turton, formerly Miss Carrie Whitney, was given a letter to Montgomery, N. Y.

In 1889, Mr. Silas E. Seeley and his wife Abigail M. (Passmore) were given letters to the Presbyterian Church at Tunkhannock. Their daughter, Julia Seeley, was given a certificate with no church named. Miss Olive Whitney was granted a letter to Altoona, Pa.

This was the year Rev. Francis E. Bessey and Miss Phronia Woodburn were married in the new church. Under date of April 17, Mrs. Emily Rice wrote in her diary: "I have been to the wedding. The bride was lovely in robe *a la creme*, with an immense bouquet of roses. Rev. John Ellsworth married the bright and happy couple."

Mr. Eugene A. Howe and Adelia F. Atwood, his wife, were admitted July 2, 1890 by certificate from the Second Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, Mo. In 1894 they were dismissed to Herrick, Pa. Mr. Howe died in 1941 in Towanda. His son, Myer, lives on a farm near Herrick.

Mr. Samuel B. Cass and his wife Cynthia L. were received



A gathering of Rome and Orwell Presbyterian Church members and friends at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Frances E. Bessey (Woodburn homestead, Rome, Pa.). Front row—left to right, Mrs. Martha Allen, Mrs. Peter VanGorden, (seated) Mrs. and Rev. Bessey, Mr. Truman Barnes, Miss Nan Miller, Mrs. Della Woodburn, Mrs. Lillie Browning.

Second Row—Hon. J. P. Coburn, Mrs. and Mr. Sam Case, Mrs. Lizzie Powers, Mrs. Charlotte Hicks, Mrs. Allen P. Young, Mr. Grace Towner, Truman Barnes, Mrs. Jason Forbes, Mrs. Bertha Yager, Sumner Brown.

Third Row—Mr. Van Gorder, Mr. Abner Beebe, Corydon Barnes, Hon. Winfield S. Kinney, Mrs. Kinney, Mrs. J. P. Coburn, Mr. J. P. Cowles, Mrs. Charles Beets, Isaac Seely, Mrs. Minnie H. Study, Mrs. Corydon Barnes, Mrs. Rebecca Frost, Jason Forbes, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Hampton Champlin.

Fourth Row—Miles D. Carey, Mrs. Bernie Howe, Mrs. Isaac Seely, Mrs. Abner Beebe, Miss Lucy Kinney, Mrs. H. H. Champlin, Mr. Armenia Robinson, Sylvester Robinson, Miss Hattie Miller (in window).

Picture taken by Rev. Marcellus Elliott, about 1889.

into church membership Jan. 1, 1890. Mrs. Harriet A. Barnes was granted a request for a letter to a church in New York City; and Miss Ada B. Layton one to a church in Iowa. On Sept. 4, at the house of Mr. Peter Mackey, Mrs. Priscilla R. Baker appeared before the session and was examined for membership. She was received by vote and baptized. In December, Dr. William W. Woodburn, brother of Mrs. F. E. Bessey, was examined as to faith and received as a member. He was a dentist. On Dec. 10, Miss Estella Layton received a certificate to the First Presbyterian Church of Kearney, Nebraska. She now lives at Athens.

In the year 1891 the church received two new members, Mr. Dayton W. Allen, who later became an adherent of the Seventh Day Adventists, son of Edward and Cynthia (Brainerd) Allen, brother of Roy Allen of Allis Hollow; and Miss Rhoda May Lent, who was born Dec. 3, 1874 the daughter of Eugene and Mary (Cass) Lent, and married William Sylvester Barnes (born Nov. 3, 1863, died Aug. 16, 1932), the son of Allen and Darwina Rhoda (Miller) Barnes. Darwina died in December, 1907, and burial was at Rome. William S. and Rhoda (Lent) Barnes had the following eleven children:

(1) Mary Darwina, born May 11, 1898, married June 14, 1922, Mr. Charles Green. They live near North Rome and have 10 children, most of whom have been baptized in this church.

(2) Allen Eugene, born May 23, 1899, married May 12, 1928, Miss Cleone Beecher of LeRaysville. They live at Wysox, and have one daughter, Marlene Phyllis. (Phyllis was born Mar. 25, 1932.) He is a mail carrier for Route I, Wysox.

(3) Paul Merritt, born July 28, 1900, married Aug. 16, 1922, Miss Kathryn Forbes, daughter of Lester and Charlotte (Bush) Forbes of Rome, and they live at Rome, having two children.

(4) Walter William, born Aug. 12, 1901, married Oct. 10, 1895, Miss Marion Gower. They adopted Arthur Edward, born Sept. 16, 1935, and live at Vestal, N. Y.

(5) Myra, born Dec. 4, 1902.

(6) Ruth Armena, born April 15, 1904, married June 22, 1929, Mr. Milton Daugherty of Allis Hollow. They have two children: Isabel Jean, born Feb. 17, 1931; and Alyce Marie, born February 8, 1940.

(7) Cass Nathan, born Mar. 7, 1906, married Dec. 6, 1928, Miss Edith Chaffee of Warren Center. They have one son, Avery Laverne, born July 22, 1933, and live at Wysox.

(8) George Miller, born April 30, 1908, married Oct. 10, 1930, Miss Mary Turner. There are four children: Morse William, born July 30, 1931; Ruby Mae, born Jan. 2, 1933; George, Jr., born May 19, 1934; Robert, born August 17, 1938. They live at Sherrill, N. Y.

(9) Cora Belle, born April 8, 1911, married June 2, 1934, Mr. George E. Conrad. They have a daughter, Elizabeth May, born Oct. 31, 1939. A son, Andrew William, was born Dec. 23, 1941 at Johnson City, N. Y.

(10) Marion Francis, born June 22, 1913, married August 13, 1938, Miss Irma Johnston, a teacher in the school at Rome.

(11) Charles Farnham, born March 10, 1915, lives at home with his mother, at the second house east of Gillet Bridge.

In the year 1892 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Gorder of Towner Hill became members of the church. In 1893 Miss Bessie Woodburn, born March 1, 1864, the daughter of Warner William and Ellen Elizabeth (Vought) Woodburn, became a member. At the age of 29 she married Mr. Burt L. Goff, son of Solon and Lydia (Bailey) Goff, and lives in the southern part of Rome borough. They had a daughter, Maizie Christine, born June 30, 1894, who married Mr. Carl Wurtenberg of Wysox. She died June 8, 1922, perishing in a house fire with a daughter Bessie Elizabeth who was about a year and a half old. She left two sons and a daughter, Edna Marie Wurtenberg, who was born Jan. 20, 1915, and married June 29, 1938, Mr. Rodney Burton Allis, employed at Johnson City. They live with the Goffs at Rome, and have a daughter Dorla Christine, born July 29, 1939. One of the two sons of Carl and Christine Wurtenburg, George Burton Wurtenberg, born in 1916, died Jan. 13, 1939. His brother, Arthur Carl, born Feb. 13, 1917, lives at Endicott, N. Y.

Others joining the church in 1892 were: Miss Florence McGovern, who married Eugene Means of Towanda; Miss Maude Towner, daughter of Mahlon and Grace (Kinney) Towner; and Miss Lizzie Smith (daughter of Augustus A. and Phoebe Smith), who married Ira Berger.

Dismissals included George Mackey (adopted by Peter Mackey) and Miss Aurice Carey; Mrs. Emma French to Bethel Hill, Pa.; and her sister Mrs. Nellie (Hankinson) Russell to the Methodist church at North Orwell, Pa. (1894).

Mrs. Nellie Russell, daughter of Obadiah and Adaline (Knapp) Hankerson (spelled also Hankinson) was born on a farm near that of Mr. John Joyce in the eastern part of Rome Township, married in 1890 at the residence of Rev. F. E. Bessey (now occupied by Mr. John Woodburn) Mr. Austin Russell who was born in North Orwell in November, 1868, the son of Joseph P. and Amelia (Tanner) Russell. Austin Russell died in April, 1901, leaving his wife with three children: Austin Henry, born in 1893, now of Ithaca, N. Y.; Winifred, born March, 1902, married Stanley Wood, lives at North Orwell, where she is in charge of the telephone exchange; and Lynn, born in 1905. Mrs. Nellie Russell married Mr. L. E. French, a brother of her sister's husband and now resides near Norristown, Pa.

The Rev. Mr. Bessey moderated the session meeting for the last time Sept. 6, 1894, when E. A. Howe and wife Adelia were granted a letter to Herrick, Pa. During the next year the Rev. Peter H. Brooks, representing the presbytery, moderated the meeting Oct. 6th, at which Miss Mollie W. Rice and Miss Grace Forbes, daughter of Jason, (now Mrs. Guy W. Abell of Rome) were received by profession of faith, and baptism. William Layton was given a letter to the Presbyterian Church at Athens, Pa., in 1896. The report to Presbytery April 22, 1896 showed a membership of 27 in the church, 40 in the Sunday School and congregational contributions totaling \$314.

Frances Eugene Bessey was born in Monroeton, Pa., Nov. 22, 1849, the son of George and Amanda (Staples) Bessey, the former of whom was a farmer and lumberman, a native of New York, and the latter a native of Connecticut, both members of

the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their family consisted of three children: Albert, a machinist, Herman, superintendent of schools at Delaware, and Francis Eugene. The father came to Bradford County about 1846 and resided here until his death in 1866; the mother died one year before in Fairfax County, Va., aged fifty. Francis lived until twelve years of age at Monroeton when he went to Washington, D. C., with his mother. He studied at Columbia University three years and graduated from Crazer Theological Seminary in 1876. He lived two years at Union and four years at Hancock, N. Y., and then came to Rome, Pa. He preached at Orwell as well as at Rome. In 1897 he preached in Pottersville. He died in 1911, and his remains rest in the Rome cemetery.

CHAPTER VII

LADIES AID SOCIETY

1887—1896

The Ladies' Aid Society was organized at the residence of Mrs. Lottie Kilmer, April 21, 1887, about six months after the dedication of the new brick church building, with Mrs. Stephen O. Allen as president, Mrs. William Rice as secretary, and Mrs. William Moody as treasurer. By January sixth of the next year, nine meetings had been held and the total receipts were \$77.91.

Six rules were adopted Jan. 11, 1888 at a meeting held at the church. They were offered by the president.

Rule 1st

This society shall be known as the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Rome. Its object shall be to aid in paying the expenses incurred by the Church, the Church debt, the Pastor's salary and any repairs or improvements upon the Church.

Rule 2nd

The Officers shall consist of a President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Rule 3rd

It shall be the duty of the President to call the meeting to order, count all money received at each meeting and to sign all orders drawn upon the treasurer.

Rule 4th

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep an accurate account of all money received and pay the same to the treasurer; also to keep the minutes and draw and sign all orders upon the Treasurer.

Rule 5th

Any person may become a member by the payment of twenty-five cents and all persons who may attend the society shall pay the sum of ten cents.

Rule 6th

Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

Rule 7th

A 7th rule was adopted Feb. 22, 1901, that "we elect our officers annually."

On Feb. 22, 1901, the society, having given a Washington Birthday dinner at the church adopted the resolution, "That we elect our officers annually and also settle all accounts at this time."

Charter members of the society were Mrs. O. F. Young, Darwina R. Barnes (wife of Allen, killed in Civil War, mother of William, grandmother of Paul M.), L. Melida Coolbaugh (lived where Frank Barnes lives), Martha C. Allen (wife of S. O., living in house of Wurt Brown), Lottie M. Kilmer (mother of Mrs. Morgan Hopler), Mrs. Anson B. Cass (her husband was a member of church building committee, and lived where R. W. Russell now lives), Ella M. McGovern (mother of Mrs. Irene Tyrrell), Mrs. William Rice, Mrs. Louis Waldo, Mrs. Emma Beebe, Mrs. Jane Carter (néé Dunn, wife of Ed Carter), Mrs. Della Woodburn, Mesdames F. E. Bessey, A. P. Young, H. M. Barnes, Augustus Smith, Lottie Hicks, E. Phidelia Lennox, Miss Hattie Miller, Rev. F. E. Bessey, Messrs. A. B. Cass, A. M. Beebe, John Vought, A. Smith, O. F. Young, Miss Nan Miller.

Others added later were Miss Eva Woodburn, and her sister, Miss Bessie Woodburn (married Bert Goff), Mrs. Minnie Whitney) Study, widow of Charles Study, of Tyrone, Pa. (She died Jan. 24, 1938 at Chicago at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marguerite, wife of Jerry Lovett.) Also Miss Ruth Whitney (sister of Mrs. Study), Miss Maude, daughter of Mahlon Towner, Mrs. Will Bennett (Ettie Parks), and Mrs. Clara Rice (wife of Dr. Fred Rice, now of Sayre, Pa.).

At the same meeting at which the rules were adopted, it was ordered that \$75 be paid to Mr. A. B. Cass toward paying off the church debt. The Society met each month at the church or at homes of members or others. Places of meeting the first year were the church, and the homes of Mesdames Kilmer, Young, McGovern, D. Barnes, A. Woodburn, Jason Forbes (father of Mrs. Grace Abell), C. Barnes, S. Robertson, S. O. Allen. A number of meetings were held in February and March of 1888 in preparation for a church fair. Besides at the church the society met at the homes of Mrs. Isaac Seeley, Mrs. Charles Barnes, Mrs. A. Smith, Mrs. Charles Whitney, Mrs. A. B. Cass. The fair's total receipts amounted to \$82.18.

At a maple sugar party in March, in the lecture room of the church, there were present Rev. John Ellsworth and wife (Clara Young) of Newark Valley, and Mr. Warren Young and wife (Katherine Smith) of Owego, N. Y., who furnished some fine vocal music. In the same month \$104.97 was paid to the church debt fund anticipating the payment of subscriptions by Messrs. Louis Waldo, Samuel Layton, and Halliday Allis, whose mother was a member of the church—Mrs. Martha Allis. In April \$7 was paid for presbyterial assessments, and \$2 for missions.

In August, 1888 Mrs. Lizzie Powers was elected president, Mrs. F. C. Cass, secretary, and Mrs. Lizzie Moody, treasurer. Ten dollars was paid on the salary of the minister, Rev. F. E. Bessey. The society bought in November, dishes, tablecloths, silverware, cooking vessels, and a cook stove, and served an oyster supper, realizing \$6.28 from the supper. At the resignation of Mrs. Cass as secretary, Mr. O. F. Young recorded the minutes, and when Mrs. Lizzie Powers declined the office of president, Mrs. O. F. Young was elected.

On Sept. 20, 1889 the society held a musical and literary entertainment at the church assisted by Mr. Thomas Stout of Philadelphia (a boarder at A. P. Young's), and Miss Ella Welsh of Orwell, Pa.

At the election of officers after prayer-meeting March 5, 1890, Mrs. A. M. Beebe was made president and Rev. F. E. Bessey secretary. In September the Society paid W. L. Moody

\$9.95 for insurance on the church. The railroad expenses of the delegate to presbytery at Scranton were also paid, as well as \$38.50 to Rev. Mr. Bessey for balance due him on the last year's salary.

At Mrs. A. M. Beebe's home the society met in June, 1891, to reorganize with Mrs. Stephen Allen, president; Mrs. Ella, wife of Phil McGovern, secretary; and Mrs. A. M. Beebe, treasurer. The society voted to pay \$5 toward the expenses of a band at a celebration on July 4th, and at that time held an ice cream festival which netted \$27.80. In August, an entertainment entitled, "The District School" brought into the treasury \$22.17. In November proceeds from two lectures were \$6.57, and from another entertainment, "The Peak Sisters," \$16.79 was realized. In December the society paid Kinney & Towner for stove pipe and sundries, and \$25 was paid Rev. F. E. Bessey for one-half the society's subscription for the year.

The society held monthly meetings in 1892. The fair in March brought in \$49.79. The society paid the coal bill, presbyterial assessment, \$8 for missions, and held a supper for the men who laid a new side walk. New officers elected in July were president, Mrs. F. E. Bessey (formerly Sophronia Woodburn); treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Beebe; secretary, Mrs. Martha C. Allen.

In August a concert was held, and ice cream and cake were served; net receipts, \$14.78; also an entertainment, called "The Old Maids' Drill," which brought \$12.60 to the treasury. On Oct. 21, 1892, at the time of the Columbian Exposition in Chicago, celebrating the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus, the society served a Columbian supper in the lecture room of the church, which was well attended and from which was realized the sum of \$9.05. In November a Thanksgiving entertainment of tableaux, dialogues and speaking was given. Proceeds were \$9.

In 1893 Mrs. Ella (Compton) McGovern was elected president; Mrs. A. M. Beebe, treasurer; and Mrs. Martha C. Allen (wife of S. O. Allen), secretary. During the next year the society met at the home of Miss Florence Woodburn (who loved

to work out of doors), S. O. Allen, Mahlon L. Towner, Mrs. Minnie Study and twice at the church, a phonograph concert being given at one time and a glee club, mandolin, and banjo concert at another.

In 1894 Miss Nan Miller succeeded Mrs. McGovern as president. In August an entertainment was given by Mr. A. P. Young's boarders and others, the receipts being \$15.35. The society paid \$16.30 to presbyterial obligations. Over 100 guests attended a poverty social at the home of Mrs. Della Woodburn.

In 1895 Mrs. Will Bennett and Mrs. Grace Towner joined the society. \$12.06 was paid for furnace repairs. Mrs. A. J. Whitney entertained the society in March. Other meetings were held at the homes of Dr. Fred Rice, and Dr. Robert G. Rice. A dinner on Memorial day brought the society \$20.42. Mrs. Beebe purchased for the society a church carpet costing \$54.45. On Oct. 19, 1895 the treasurer paid a bill for coal: 4675 pounds of coal, \$7.48; for drawing same, 5 cts. per hundred, \$2.35, total \$9.83. In this month the society served supper for fifty Odd Fellows, realizing \$7.

In 1896 the society donated \$15.75 to pay the pastor, Rev. A. T. Huber, who also supplied the pulpit at Orwell. The society served a dinner and supper at the church on election day, Feb. 18, 1896. The treasury had a balance of \$37.39. On this, as on other years, the railroad fare of the church's delegate to presbytery was paid.

CHAPTER VIII

WORK OF REV. DAVID M. DAVIES 1897—1910

Between 1896 and 1909 there is no record of minutes of the session showing the reception of members. But the roll of members found at the beginning of the second volume of session minutes has the following names which are not found in the first volume (1844—1896).

Miss Mona Quigley
Miss Mamie Quigley
Miss Bernice Quigley
Miss Georgiana Study
Mr. James Kilmer
Mr. W. J. McCabe (son of Hugh McCabe)
Miss Irene McGovern
Mr. W. Haney
Mrs. W. Haney
Miss Anita Pauline Haney
Miss Bertina M. Haney

The reports to Presbytery and General Assembly show that one person was received by confession in the report for 1899, 8 for 1900, and 4 by letter in 1900. In 1902 one was added by confession of faith and two by letter. In 1904 two were reported added on confession. Mr. and Mrs. William Haney brought a church letter from the Herrick Presbyterian Church in 1905. The report for 1908 indicates four added by letter. The Rev. David Davies began as supply pastor in 1897 and remained until 1910. He was affectionately called "Daddy" Davies by the Rome people.

Much of the life of the church in this period was centered in the women's organization called the Ladies' Aid Society. An



Rome Township, about 1900, from map made by Hiram E. Bull.

account of its activities from 1897 to 1910 when the work of Mr. Davies came to a close, is given.

In 1897 the society served refreshments to 125 people, 94 of whom were members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows lodge. During the next year note was first made of meetings held at the home of Mrs. Davies, wife of Rev. D. M. Davies. She was elected president in October. Mrs. Minnie Study was made secretary.

In the fall of 1898 the society bought shoes and material and sewed bed clothing and garments for a family of the community in straitened circumstances. Flowers were purchased for the funeral services of Mrs. Ella (Compton) McGovern. The society contributed as usual to the annual donation for the minister.

A financially successful church fair was held in April, 1899. On the committee were Miss Caroline Lent, Mrs. Bert Goff, Mrs. Eugene Means, Mrs. F. M. Hicks, Mrs. Minnie Study and Mrs. D. M. Davies. The proceeds were \$50.62. A comfort was made for the pastor's wife, who soon moved to Wysox to live in the manse there. Her husband was now to preach in Rome and Wysox. Mrs. F. M. Hicks was elected president, succeeding Mrs. Davies. Mr. Hicks was engaged to make a cupboard for dishes at a cost of \$8.50, which was placed in a corner of the entrance hall of the church; also a work table for \$3.50. In the fall Della (Mrs. Allen) Woodburn was elected secretary. Flowers were bought in loving remembrance of Mrs. Alice (Atwood) Coleman, wife of Henry Coleman. A donation party for Rev. David Davies brought him \$23.50, to which the society added \$10.

In the first month of the twentieth century a "century" supper was served, with large attendance, from which was realized \$5.80. An out-door lamp for the outside of the church was bought in March at a cost of \$4.74. New members received into the society were Mrs. Adeline Rickey Taylor, second wife of Almon A. Taylor, and Mrs. Jason Forbes (née Ida Lovica Buttles, mother of Mrs. Grace Abell), Mrs. Ella Young Barnes (wife of Corydon). On Aug. 4, 1900, Mrs. Taylor was appointed treasurer. In December another donation party was held for Rev. Mr. Davies to whom was paid about \$42.

In 1901 Mr. Corydon Barnes, who lived where Mrs. Susan Nesbit resides now, was paid \$5.17 for a load of coal. Mrs. Flossie Means (wife of Eugene) was appointed treasurer in place of Mrs. Taylor, who had resigned; and a new linoleum was bought for \$9.25, the purchase being made by Mrs. Lizzie (Young) Moody. Mrs. William Davis and Mrs. Lizzie Eddy were enrolled members.

On April 15, these officers were elected: President, Mrs. Bessie Goff (wife of Bert L.); vice-president, Mrs. Ella Barnes (wife of Corydon); treasurer, Mrs. Flossie Means; and secretary, Mrs. Emily Victorine Rice (wife of Dr. William). (She was named for Emilie Victorine Piolett of Wysox, a cousin.) It was decided that the society pay \$25 per year towards the minister's salary. The church organ was cleaned in September at a cost of \$4.00 by Mr. E. F. Stoddard. Mr. Arthur Yeager was paid \$2.50 for work on the chimney. In December a farmers' institute was served dinner, with net proceeds of \$5.29.

The society bought flowers April 16, 1902 for the funeral of Mr. F. M. Hicks, father of George Hicks of Rome. On April 24, after dinner at the church, officers were elected: Mrs. Truman Barnes (her husband was son of Farnum Barnes), president; Grace (Mrs. Guy W.) Abell, vice-president; Mrs. Flossie Means, treasurer; Mrs. Emily V. Rice, secretary. A tea at the church parlors in May brought in \$4.70; a "milk maids'" tea in June added over \$5 to the treasury; and in July an "old maids' convention" entertainment gave receipts of \$16.10. The annual donation supper was held Nov. 20th, and the proceeds, \$31.62, were paid Rev. David Davies.

Mrs. Bessie Goff was appointed secretary Jan. 15, 1903 in place of Mrs. G. W. Abell, who was unable to act. Twenty-five singing books were bought for the church. New officers elected in April were president, Mrs. F. M. Hicks; vice-president, Mrs. Allen W. Woodburn; treasurer, Mrs. Eugene Means. Flowers were provided in memory of Mrs. A. Smith, May 29, 1903; also for Miss Nan Miller, Sept. 17th. The ladies served a dinner for the I.O.O.F. lodge and also one for the Rebecca lodge. The



OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION, 1902

Seated, left to right: Mona Quigley, Emma Brainard, Nell Barnes, Caroline Lent, Laura Miller, Ruth Whitney, Bertha Lent (Mrs. John Harford).

Standing, left to right: Bernice Quigley, Clara Snyder, Alta Terry, Mrs. Henry Forbes, Carrie Hiney (Mrs. Walter Rodarmel), Mate Hankinson (Mrs. Mary Crandall), Mamie Quigley, Etta Vought (Mrs. Etta Bidlack, Ulster), Nina Allis.

society bought two cords of wood for \$2.50 from Melvin E. Elliott. The annual donation supper was held Nov. 19th, and the receipts were \$72.00.

The society began the year 1903 with a balance of \$50.66. An election dinner Feb. 16 brought in \$6.71. "The ladies of the society met and served dinner in the church March 17. It being St. Patrick's Day, and a most lovely spring day, quite a goodly number were present. At this dinner ham and eggs and other delicacies of the season were served. The receipts of the day—\$8.16." Mrs. Bessie Goff was secretary. The janitor was paid \$25.00 for the previous year's services. The loose collections at the church services provided for this and the presbyterial annual assessment of \$5 for denominational expense.

In 1904 in April a "magic lantern" entertainment was given at the church, and a local singing school gave a two days' convention. In May an "old maids" entertainment was given by a cast from Wysox. In June the ladies went to Wysox in a conveyance driven by Henry Coleman and served a supper with the Wysox society at the home of their pastor, Rev. D. M. Davies. Each society realized \$5. Repairs to the church roof cost \$4.80, and other repairs \$1.50. The Union Christian Endeavor Society paid \$2.50 for the use of the church. In July the Ladies' Aid Society made a special donation to Rev. Mr. Davies in anticipation of his starting across the ocean to visit his old home in Wales. In August the treasury received \$19.84 from Mr. A. M. Beebe raised some time before by him for building front steps to the church. In the next month the Wysox ladies came to Rome for a joint meeting and dinner with the society at the church. Mrs. Eugene D. Means was obliged to resign as treasurer and at a meeting held October second, Mrs. Della Woodburn was appointed to act in her place. Mrs. Lizzie Waldo was made vice-president. Mrs. Hartie Brown and Mrs. Agnes Rolls were enrolled as members.

On Nov. 8, 1904, after an election day dinner, Mrs. F. M. Hicks, Mrs. Della Woodburn and Mrs. Bessie Goff were appointed a committee to see about having the interior of the church

decorated. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Howe of South Hill, Orwell township entertained the society Dec. 2. In November and December a subscription paper circulated by Mrs. Lizzie Waldo brought in \$37.75 for repairing the church. Another donation party paid for the pastor, \$42. Messrs. Wilson and Hosmer of Athens, Pa., were paid \$66.75 for work of decorating the walls of the church, Mr. G. P. Vought \$1.25 for plastering, and \$13 was paid for boarding the men while at work on the church. Material purchased cost \$11.31. The amount in the society treasury at the close of the year was \$11.08.

A gift of twenty-five dollars from Mr. George R. Young of New York was received in February, 1905. On the 16, 17, and 18th of the same month, Mr. J. C. Mitten, uncle of Mrs. D. S. Rice, held a singing convention, half the receipts from which went to the society: \$13.45. The annual cost of janitor service, \$25, was met for the year closing March, 1905, by loose collections totaling \$18.29, and an order on the treasury of the Ladies' Aid Society for \$6.71. A drama, "Among the Breakers," brought the society twenty dollars. \$10 was paid out for mission causes. An entertainment by some young men from the high school in Towanda netted the society \$8. The Christian Endeavor Society again paid \$2.75 for light and heat service. \$36.40 was realized from the annual church fair. New members enrolled were Miss Marion Quigley, Miss Georgianna Study, and Mrs. George Powers. The annual donation party brought in \$48 for Rev. D. Davies.

On Jan. 18, 1906, the following Resolution regarding Mrs. Martha C., wife of S. O. Allen, was adopted. "Whereas it has pleased the Heavenly Father to take from our midst one of our esteemed members Mrs. Martha C. Allen.

"Resolved that we the ladies of the Presbyterian L. A. S. recognizing her worth and our great loss do extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our esteemed sister.

"Resolved, further, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to the bereaved family; also be placed on the minutes of the society."

Mrs. S. O. Allen was the daughter of "Priest" Harry L. Parks, a Methodist preacher, and Electa (Allis) Parks, and she was born in Rome township June 22, 1838. Her father's sister Chloe and James Lent were the first couple to marry in what is now Rome township, 1803. Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Allen had two children: Hattie C., born June 2, 1859, married G. W. Crum of Athens and Laura A., born June 3, 1863, married Horace Russell, father of Allen Russell of Nichols, N. Y.

May 4, 1906. Under this date it is recorded that "a Sharper" came around delivering lectures and required those who were "taken in" to sign a contract for nine dollars. From the lecture only \$2.85 was taken in. From lunch which was served before the lecture, \$3.15. Amount given the lecturer \$9.00.

In May the society at the request of the pastor gave \$14 for missions and benevolences of the Presbyterian boards.

On Memorial Day Mrs. Nona Gray Rice gave an elocutionary entertainment which netted the society, with the ice cream supper proceeds, a total of nine dollars. Mrs. William Haney was hostess to a society dinner in June. Mrs. Davies, wife of the pastor, was presented three dollars to help in repairing the parsonage at Wysox. The church officers decided to place all papers and money of the church in the hands of the officers of the Ladies' Aid Society. The balance in the church treasury was \$43.29. The Christian Endeavor Society gave again \$2.75 for use of the lecture room for meetings. On July 18, 1905 the amount in the L. A. Society treasury was \$89.92. Flowers were purchased for Amanda Rice Nov. 14. Mr. Davies was paid \$34.30 from the annual donation.

In the year 1906 an order in favor of A. P. Young was paid for \$8.10 for insurance on the church building. Mr. George Powers used the auditorium for some entertainments for which he paid \$15. The mission boards were paid \$14. Sylvester Robinson had borrowed from the church one hundred dollars, from which an interest payment of four dollars was paid March 30.

Mrs. David M. Davies, wife of the pastor, was presented five dollars in April, 1907, in view of her plans to take another

trip to Wales. The Christian Endeavor continued its practice of paying for the use of the church. This time the amount was \$5.50, or at the rate of \$11 per year. Mrs. Lizzie Powers was elected treasurer. Mrs. Bertha Knapp became a member. Mrs. Andrew Jackson Whitney was hostess to the society in August. On September 4, 1907 the opening in the fence back of the Rome Presbyterian Church was closed for twenty-four hours to retain legal rights. This was also done Nov. 6, 1927. The ladies joined with the Methodist Aid Society in November and served dinner to a farmers' institute, attended by enough people to bring dinner receipts of \$24.20.

Mrs. A. P. Young (néé Melita Mann) died Jan. 23, 1908, and the society provided flowers in memory of her.

Mrs. Emily V. Rice was elected president for the year, and Miss Caroline Lent vice-president. A tin extension cap was put on the church chimney by Mr. Arthur Yaeger at a cost of \$2.50. New members included Mrs. William J. Haney, the Misses Bertina and Paulina Haney. Bertina married David Scott Rice, and lives in Rome. Paulina married Leslie J. Orr of Binghamton, N. Y. Mrs. Haney, before her marriage in 1885, was Mollie Mitten, born Nov. 19, 1848, daughter of James and Eliza J. (Crawford) Mitten, natives of Ireland, pioneer settlers of Herick township. She died at the home of her daughter, Bertina, Jan. 11, 1936, and burial was at Camptown, Pa.

The church or society had some money on deposit, for under date of July 23, 1908 is the entry, "Received from Sayre Bank the interest on \$60 for 6 months @ 3%, \$.90." There was no bank in Rome at that time.

The Rev. S. I. Davis delivered a lecture at the church Nov. 27, 1908, receipts of \$3 from which were given the society. The year closed with \$137.31 in the treasury.

In 1909 no dinner meeting was held in February because of a fire which destroyed the drug store of Dr. William Rice.

The officers of the Ladies Aid Society elected for this year were president, Mrs. F. M. Hicks; vice-president, Mrs. Stellie Sickles; secretary, Mrs. Bessie Goff; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie



Rev. David M. Davies

Powers. In May a piano was purchased for \$40, the pastor, Rev. Mr. Davies, was given \$4 as a birthday present Nov. 15. On April 15, 1910 Mr. George Robinson paid four dollars interest due on a note of \$100. The treasurer received \$15 from Chester A. Lewis for the use of the auditorium for an entertainment.

Mrs. Lizzie Waldo died August 10, and flowers were furnished in loving memory of her.

Resolutions for Oscar F. Young

The minister, Rev. D. M. Davies, and elders Allen P. Young and J. A. Allen met at the church April 18, 1909 and adopted this resolution:

"Whereas Elder Oscar F. Young has been called away from his labors here to his reward yonder, Therefore be it Resolved, that we set on record our appreciation of his services to the town in general and to the church in particular—by acting as ruling elder for many years; by attending meetings of Prebytery, Synod and General Assembly.

Also, Whereas a vacancy has been caused by the death of Elder O. F. Young, it was moved, seconded and carried that A. P. Young be requested to act as clerk of session."

The annual report to presbytery showed 27 members, 3 elders, \$12 for missions and benevolences, \$200 for congregational expenses. Services were held every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and a union Christian Endeavor Society met at 7:30 p. m. Sundays. Elder J. A. Allen was appointed to represent the church at presbytery at Kingston, Pa.

John A. Allen lived where Robert R. Cook now lives, near Gillet Bridge. He was the brother of Stephen O. Allen, Dayton, J. B. and other children of Joseph and Clarissa (White) Allen. John A. Allen served in Company I, 141 Rgt. P. V. I. He married, 1886, Helen I. Brown, and had two daughters who grew to adulthood: Mertie E. (first wife of D. W. Cowles), and Lizzie W. (Mrs. John Eddy). John's brother, Stephen O. Allen, lived

also near Gillet Bridge, in a house just across from the Wysox Creek road, on property now owned by Robert R. Cook. Fear of rising flood waters from the creek led him to sell his property and move to Rome, where he bought and lived in the house now occupied by Mr. Wurt Brown.

In the year 1910, according to minutes of the session (volume II), Miss Clara Snyder joined the church by profession of faith and baptism, and also the Misses Bessie and Georgie Quigley (the last two baptized Sept. 25, 1910), daughters of Henry Quigley. Mrs. Emily V. Rice, wife of Dr. William Rice, mother of Mary W., David S., William, and Dr. Fred Rice, was received by letter from the Myersburg Methodist Episcopal Church. Letters were granted to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Whitney to Marksboro, New Jersey, and to Miss Ina Smith to the Presbyterian Church of Sayre, Pa. Mrs. Lucille Sickler was dismissed to Brick Church, Lake City Michigan, Feb. 1, 1911. Messrs. William Haney and F. M. Rifenburgh were elected and ordained elders Sept. 25th. Rev. Mr. Davies accepted work in the state of Wyoming in the autumn of 1910, and on Feb. 5, 1911, the Rev. F. Von Krug moderated a congregational meeting at which Rev. F. V. Frisbie was called as supply minister for one year with one month's vacation, and F. M. Rifenburgh was elected clerk of the session. Mr. Rifenburgh served until 1918.

On Sept. 25, 1910 Bessie and Georgie Quigley were baptized by Rev. D. Davies, before his departure for Wyoming. Their father Henry (Hank) Quigley is reported to have observed, "There is one crop that never fails—that's fools!"

CHAPTER IX

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY

1891—1916

A goodly number of young people met Feb. 15, 1891 at the Rome Baptist Church in a meeting led by Leandor W. Maynard. Thirty were found to be ready to be organized as active members of a Union Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. A number of young people from Sayre and other points were present for encouraging the organization. E. D. Bronson of LeRaysville and Henry G. Newell of Orwell were present. They were active county workers. After a devotional service the following officers were elected and committees appointed.

President, A. M. Beebe; vice-president, Jessie Norton; recording secretary, Mollie Rice; corresponding secretary, May Hicks, sister of George; treasurer, Olivia E. Maynard.

Lookout Committee: Olivia E. Maynard, Jessie Norton (married C. T. Chubbuck), Dorrance Allen.

Prayer-meeting Committee: Mabel Smith (Mrs. L. G. Marshall, Towanda), Leander Maynard, A. Smith.

Social Committee: Rev. F. E. Bessey, Thomas W. Whitney, W. D. Browning, Mrs. Peter Mackey.

Music Committee: Flossie McGovern (Mrs. E. D. Means), Cora Hiney (later went to Tunkhannock), Mabel Smith.

Constitution and By-Laws: Rev. F. E. Bessey.

A week later the society met at 7 p. m. in the Presbyterian Church, adopted the model constitution with the exception of Article III, Section 5 (which required signatures of affiliated members pledging to the constitution), Article IV, Section 2 (requiring certain committees); agreed on six as sufficient for a quorum, and appointed the Methodist Church for the place of meeting the following Sunday. John B. Eddy led that meeting

at which prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. Davis (Methodist minister) and A. Smith.

On March 11, Miss Viola Lent and Mrs. Eliza Clark were appointed to fill a vacancy on the prayer-meeting committee. Miss Viola Lent, sister of Mrs. Rhoda Barnes, married Mr. Timothy Drake of Athens. At the next week's meeting May Hicks, Miss Celia Carter, Mrs. Eliza Clark, and Dora Brown (Mrs. Jacoby, Finesville, N. J.) were added to the music committee. Rev. Marcellas E. Elliott led the meeting of March 22, when it was decided to join the Eastern Bradford union of societies.

The weekly meeting held April 12, at the Methodist Church was led by Miss Jessie Curran, with the subject, "Is my heart right with God?" At the roll call 12 members were found absent. Collection was \$1.40.

Meetings were held at the churches in a regular order. New names added by May 17 included Mrs. Rebecca Frost, Mrs. Mary Lenox, Miss Celia Carter, Mr. Leonard Vought and his sister Bertha, Alice Ford (Mrs. L. C. Dimon), Maud Towner.

On the evening of June 7, Mr. Isaac Beebe (son of A. M. Beebe) of Chicago gave a talk on Lessons from the Life of Hezekiah. Rev. E. D. Hammond's name was proposed for active membership June 14; Miss Lizzie Goff, Della Mann, and Mrs. Ella McGovern for associate members, and Mr. L. W. Maynard as honorary.

A new and interesting feature of the society was the prayer-meetings of Friday evenings at the Baptist Church. May Hicks led the one of June 12, and A. M. Beebe that of June 19. This was soon merged with the Baptist meeting Thursday nights. The number of active members was then 32; associate, 19.

The names of J. M. Prince and Mrs. W. L. Moody, (now Mrs. Lizzie Watson) were proposed July 19. The time of meeting was changed from 7 to 7:45 p. m. It was voted to appoint two leaders for each meeting that the meeting might not be without one if the first appointed should be absent, the second to take charge of the following meeting.

In August, the names of Bertha Vought and Ella Forbes were proposed for associate membership. *The Golden Rule*, a periodical, provided pleasant selections for special music and readings. Miss Lizzie Allen (married John Eddy) led the meeting Sept. 6. John Martin Prince (known in Rome as "Mart") told, Sept. 20, of religious exercises in the school he had attended for three years. The names of Minnie Wilmot (mother of Roe W. Russell) and Lottie Russell were proposed for membership. Lottie Russell married Harvey Evans from Neath and lives in Johnson City, New York. Mr. William Woodburn led the meeting Sept. 27. Dayton Allen led Oct. 11. Miss Jessie Curran served as secretary. She was a school teacher who married George Babcock of LeRaysville, since deceased. She is now active in W.C.T.U. work. Remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Bessey and Rev. Mr. Bois. Miss Mertie Allen (later Mrs. D. W. Cowles) led Oct. 18. Rev. E. D. Hammond (Baptist minister) offered prayer in the next week's meeting, led by Mrs. Eliza Clark of the Baptist Church, wife of Barney M. Clark. The Clarks reared May (Rifenburgh) Powers, wife of George D. Powers. (She was a daughter of Charles Rifenburgh, a brother of Frank. Mrs. May Powers died in 1938. Mr. Powers married, second, Miss Belle Foote of Sayre, a native of Troy, Pa. They live at Athens, Pa.) Other leaders followed week by week: Miss Viola Lent, Miss Mary Lennox, Mrs. Hattie Browning. At a business meeting Dec. 16, 1891, Mrs. Augustus Smith, Miss Alice Ford, and Miss Grace Forbes (Mrs. Guy W. Abell) were elected to active membership and Mrs. Bessie Goff and Mrs. U. G. Russell (néé Minnie Wilmot) to associate.

For the second year which began in February, 1892, officers were elected: President, Mr. Leonard Vought; vice-president and corresponding secretary, Miss Mollie Rice; recording secretary, Miss Jessie Curran (Mrs. George Babcock); treasurer, Miss Jessie F. Norton. Mr. Leonard Vought later became Rev. L. L. Vought of the Wyoming Conference of the M. E. Church, now retired and living at Marathon, N. Y. He was at Orwell 1909 to 1913; Rome, 1914 to 1917; Greene, N. Y., 1918 to 1922; Marathon, 1923 to 1930; 1931, retired. Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Van Loan became associate members. The names of Mr. A. Smith, Mr. A. M. Beebe, and Mrs. Peter Mackey were placed on the Honorary List of members.

Nearly all members were present at the March consecration meeting. Miss Bertha Vought and Miss Lizzie Goff (later Mrs. T. W. Whitney) became active members, and Jennie Stalker became an associate member, making a total of 28 active, and 26 associate members; also 4 honorary. Allen P. Young's name was added to the honorary list later. Resolutions of sympathy were adopted at the time of the death of a member, Mr. William Woodburn, and a wreath of flowers ordered. Leaders of meetings in April were Alice Ford (Mrs. Leslie Dimon), Cora Hiney, Lizzie Moody, Olivia Maynard. A collection of \$3.00 was given "for the people of Russia" May 8, 1892. In June Mrs. Ida Towner and Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Armstrong, who had a daughter named Lulu, were received as members. Mr. Armstrong was pastor of the M. E. Church. A new flower committee was appointed with two members from each of the three churches: Lizzie Goff and Lulu Armstrong from the Methodist; Celia Carter and Lizzie Allen from the Presbyterian; and May Clark and Maud Towner from the Baptist. Minnie Study became an active member, and Mrs. Van Ness and Clara became associate members.

The prayer-meeting committee reported discouraging falling off in attendance at the Friday evening prayer-meetings, but the Sunday evening meetings continued, although some of the active members did not attend the consecration meetings to which they were pledged. The largest collection since organizing was made Aug. 23, 1891—\$1.26.

Mr. Beebe led the meeting Sept. 12, 1892, in which the plan was adopted of giving out questions to be answered. Mr. P. H. Armstrong ably led a similar meeting the next week. The meetings continued to grow more interesting, Miss Flossie McGovern leading the next consecration meeting, at which Mr. Cass was a visitor. He probably was Anson B. Cass who lived in the house occupied now by Roe Russell. He and F. M. Rifenburgh had a creamery where Guy Cass's widow lives. Viola Lent led

the meeting Nov. 20, 1892; topic, "God's Pledges and Ours." Mertie Allen led the following Sunday, and Mollie Rice the next. Miss Jessie Curran led the meeting Dec. 10. The names of Minnie Hankinson, Bessie Woodburn (Mrs. Bert L. Goff), George Anderson, Lorence Moore (father of Edward), John Russell, C. N. Clark, May Merricle (married Eugene Vought and lives at or near Binghamton), and Celia Carter were added to the list of active members; and George Powers and Mattie Hankinson to the roll of associate members. Lorence Moore had a sister, his twin, who married first Burton McCabe, and second, John Keene, of Keene Summitt. Preparations were made for a Christian Endeavor Convention to be held in Rome, and a committee was appointed to arrange an anniversary program: Mollie Rice, Jessie Curran, Ina Smith and Lizzie Goff (Mrs. Thomas Whitney).

The minutes are not at hand beyond January, 1892, but a complete list of the members is preserved. In addition to those already mentioned there are the following names on the list of active members:

Leta (Uleta) Maynard, daughter of Leandor and Cynthia (Wattles) Maynard; was dismissed Aug. 9, 1891, to Potterville, Pa. She married Dayton W. Allen.

Mrs. M. E. Taylor (Mary Hiney, married first Oliver Taylor).

Ina Smith (now of Sayre).

John B. Eddy, who lived near Gillet's Bridge.

C. A. Spalding, dismissed May 22, 1891, with his wife.

George Mackey.

Rev. George H. Hatch, dismissed May 31, 1891, with his wife. He was the Baptist minister.

Willie Howell and Ezra Tripp, joined March 1, 1892. The latter lived where Emory Moore does now.

Mrs. Edison Rockwell (bought the old Presbyterian church and built a residence. Her maiden name was Anna Struble).

Rhoda M. Lent, married William S. Barnes, is mother of Elder P. M. Barnes.

Lizzie Smith, daughter of A. Smith, joined Dec. 10, 1893.

A. H. Gavitte, joined Nov. 5, 1893 (a school teacher).

Mrs. Inez (Marsh) Brown and Miss Dora Brown, joined May 6, 1894. She was a sister of Guy Marsh, husband of Cora Barnes Marsh.

Miss Lucy Kinney, went to Cortland, N. Y., 1903, joined May 6, 1894 (sister of W. S. Kinney).

Clarence T. Chubbuck, son of Tracy J. Chubbuck of Orwell, joined June 4, 1894, married Jessie Norton (daughter of George I.) Moved to Johnson City, N. Y.

George P. Spencer from Pond Hill, joined Nov. 4, 1894.

Mary L. Espey, became a member Feb. 3, 1895 (now Mrs. Felix Stehle of Towanda).

Dr. R. G. Rice (now at St. Paul, Minn.), May 5, 1895.

Lona Conklin (Mrs. H. H. Coleman), May 5, 1895.

Della Bushnell (Mrs. W. J.), April 7, 1895.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wilmot.

Geo. D. Powers, Dec. 9, 1896. Mr. Powers later gave to Rome Borough a substantial donation sufficient to provide a house for a fire department.

Wm. Rice, Jr., Dec. 10, 1896.

George Mackey.

Walter Baker, G. H. Baker.

Daisy Wilmot (sister of Claude, married Lester Ostrander, lives in Elmira).

Matie Hankinson lives in Susquehanna County, married a Mr. Crandall and lives at Uniondale.

Mrs. Eugene Howe, May 13, 1896 (now of Towanda).

Mrs. H. H. Coleman (first wife, sister of Mrs. E. A. Howe of Towanda, was Alice Atwood).

Mr. H. H. Coleman.

D. W. Cowles, now of Orwell, then living near Gillet Bidge.

Rev. N. W. Barnes, pastor of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. N. W. Barnes, his wife (Getty Wells), and Miss Nellie Barnes (since a teacher in Binghamton, daughter of Rev. N. W. Barnes and his first wife, Lois Fuller).

Laura Miller, sister of Bert, lives at 62 Sullivan St., Wilkes-Barre, married Walter B. Newsbigle, who died March 17, 1934. Mrs. Newsbigle and two sons survive: Donald Miller, born Nov. 9, 1916; Robert Bruce, born Oct. 19, 1921.

Anna C. Campbell (now Mrs. Clarence Moore).

Ralph J. Campbell, and his wife, Mrs. Mary Forbes Campbell (daughter of John Forbes).

Nettie Sabine (Annette).

Mrs. Henry Forbes (Dec. 11, 1900), formerly Anna Hoose, now living in Athens, Pa.

John Joyce of Rome (married Sara Woodburn, daughter of John Laurence and Sarah Jones Woodburn).

Annie Morris (Anna Rolls, married Jesse Morris, stage driver to Nichols).

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vought (lived at the Ray Parkes place).

Emma Crawn (married and lives in Sayre).

C. N. Clark (brother of Reece).

Thos. W. Whitney (brother of Ruth, married Elizabeth Goff, died in 1919, with burial at Rome).

Mrs. Wm. H. Bennett (Ettie Parks).

Mrs. W. D. Browning (sister of Frank Allis of Wysox; lives in Johnson City, N. Y.)

Winnifred Owen (Mrs. Fred Parks, Athens, Pa.)

Miss Susie Wilmot (Mrs. William Christopher). Mona Quigley (Mrs. Fred Landon, Johnson City, N. Y.), Carl Stone.

Others listed as associate members:

Emma Beebe (Mrs. Abner Beebe).

Bernice Brown (now Mrs. Ed. Hinds, Towanda).

Ella McGovern.

James D. Kilmer (brother of Mrs. Hopler of Endicott, moved to Niagara Falls).

Emelia H. Russell (mother of Lottie).

Miss Lottie B. Russell (married Harvey Evans of Neath).

Mrs. L. Goff.

Percy L. Browning (brother of Phil.)

Jennie Stalker.

Georgie Anderson.

J. E. Layton.

Ralph A. Menzies (married Miss Libbie Bushnell, daughter of Ezra Bushnell, who lived south of Frank Bosworth. She now lives in New York State).

Walter Rodarmel (now of Binghamton).

Among the recollections of members of the Christian Endeavor Society is one of an earnest testimony often made by one of the older members: "I want to rise to a plane of higher rectitude."

The prayer-meeting committee had printed topic cards listing the officers, committees and leaders of the Sunday evening meetings which were appointed to begin at 7 o'clock. Rev. Fred V. Frisbie was the Presbyterian pastor, and Rev. William Watson was pastor of the Methodist Church.

The officers were Mrs. G. D. Powers, president; Cornelia Roach, vice-president; Mollie Rice, recording secretary; Georgia Study, treasurer; Bertha Buttles, (Mrs. Clarence Jakeway of Towanda) organist; Eunice Lewis, assistant organist.

The committees were as follows: Prayer-meeting, Mrs. H. J. Forbes, Mrs. C. B. Wilmot, Mrs. Wm. Rice, Ruth Buttles. Lookout, George Powers, Mrs. W. H. Bennett, Eunice Lewis, Bertina Haney, Nina Allis. Missionary, Mrs. Wm. Rice, Mrs. Geo. Powers, Mrs. W. D. Browning, Mrs. Floyd Dixon, Mrs. Frank Barnes. Entertainment, Georgia Study, Bertha Buttles, Winifred Vought, Floyd Dixon, Paulina Haney. Floral, Ruth Buttles, Francis Wilmot, Mabel Whalen.

The leaders in turn for Sunday evening meetings were as

follows: Paulina Haney (Mrs. Leslie J. Orr, Binghamton), F. M. Rifenburg, Mrs. G. D. Powers, Elizabeth Browning, Mollie Rice, Bertina Haney, Mrs. Frank Barnes, Mrs. Wm. Rice, Georgia Study (wife of Dr. Frank Pogue), Floyd Dixon, Mrs. W. D. Browning, Mrs. Buttles, Cornelia Roach (moved to Buffalo, N. Y.), Etta (Parks) Bennett (wife of Wm. Bennett), Sumner Rifenburg, Bertha Buttles (Mrs. C. E. Jakway), George Powers, Winifred Vought (Mrs. Paul Marshall, daughter of Eugene Vought, Towanda, Pa.), Ruth Buttles (Mrs. Harry Dimon), Eunice Lewis (Mrs. R. W. Russell), Nina Allis (now Mrs. William Rice), Mrs. Henry Forbes (moved to Athens, Pa.), Mrs. C. B. Wilmot (deceased), H. H. Coleman (father of Mrs. Staley Clark), Mrs. Floyd Dixon (deceased), Rev. Wm. Watson (deceased), Rev. Fred Frisbie (deceased).

Miss Mollie W. Rice for several years was in charge of the correspondence department of the Tri-County Christian Endeavor Union, which comprised Bradford, Sullivan and Tioga counties. Mrs. Georgia Piollet of Wysox served on the nominating committee at the State Christian Endeavor Convention held at Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1902, and nominated Miss Rice chairman of the Correspondence Department of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union. Upon her return to Wysox, Mrs. Piollet sent a card to Miss Rice saying, "If you want to hoe a bigger row, hoe well the one you are hoeing." In a few days she was notified of her election to the State Christian Endeavor office.

She served four years, 1902 to 1906, when she resigned to give her full attention to her studies while attending the Buffalo College of Pharmacy at Buffalo, N. Y. During the years she served Miss Rice attended the state conventions at Allentown and Scranton, and conducted conferences on her department work. She also published a monthly column in the "Pennsylvania Endeavorer," Harrisburg, Pa. The work of the correspondence department was to introduce members of various local societies throughout Pennsylvania, who removed to new locations, into new Christian Endeavor contacts with their nearest society. As a delegate from the Rome Society, Miss Rice also attended the

International Christian Endeavor Convention at Atlantic City in 1911, when among the speakers were, Fanny Crosby, President William H. Taft, Booker T. Washington, Judge Ben T. Lindsey, and Dr. and Mrs. Francis E. Clark, founders of Christian Endeavor.

CHAPTER X

PASTORATE OF REV. F. V. FRISBIE

Mr. Frisbie began his work in the spring of 1911, and baptized July 16, 1911, Francis Wilbur, born Feb. 11, 1911, infant son of Robert and Edna Cook. In March of 1912, twelve new members were received by the session. The following joined on examination: Sumner Adam Rifenburgh (son of Frank M.), Mrs. Phoebe Melissa Hiney Dickens, her daughter Mary Ellen Dickens (now Mrs. Howard Robinson of Orwell); Mrs. Tryphosa Baxter Houghtalin; and three sisters, daughters of John Wattles and Mamie (Kilmer) Woodburn: (1) Emma Marguerite Woodburn; (2) Olive Mary Woodburn (married Andrew Jackson Whitney, lives at Williamsport, Pa.), (3) Helen Marie Woodburn (married Richard Johnson, lives at Whitney Point, N. Y.); William Allen Tyrrell, son of William, (married Irene McGovern); Gerdon Allen Knapp and his wife Mrs. Bertha Elnora (Nichols) Knapp, and her daughter Mabel Emma Duell. All but Mrs. Houghtalin were baptized April 7, 1912. Robert R. Cook was admitted by letter from the Congregational Church of Potterville and his wife, Edna (Wilbur) Cook from the Presbyterian Church of Orwell, Pa. On April 11, Mrs. Amanda Nichols Allen (Mrs. John A.) became a member by profession of faith. The last named took a letter to the Presbyterian church at Monroeton, Pa., November third.

The report to Lackawanna presbytery at Plymouth, Pa., showed 11 added by examination, 2 by certificate, a total membership of 39, 11 baptisms on confession of faith, 1 infant baptism, a Sunday School membership of 30, \$18 contributed for missions, \$5 for General Assembly, and \$180 for congregational expenses. Mr. Frisbie was given a call to be pastor at a meeting held April 7, 1912, having served as stated supply until this time.

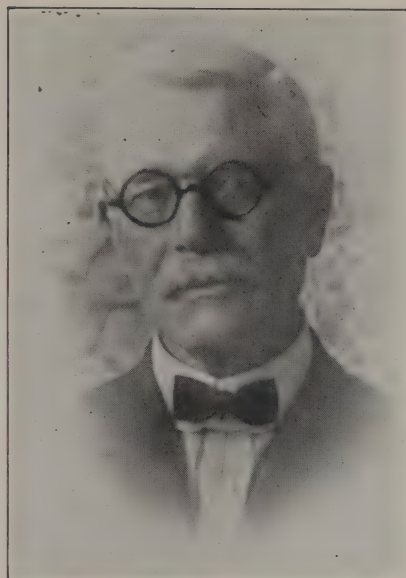
On the afternoon of Sunday, July 21, 1912, in the lecture room just before the regular church service, Mrs. Elizabeth A.

Maynard, sister of Miss Caroline Lent, and Miss Emaline Worthington came before the session and upon satisfactory examination were received upon confession of faith and were baptized.

At the close of the next church year, March 30, 1913, David Scott Rice and Frederick Rice Powers were received on profession of faith and were baptized the following Sunday, when Mrs. Isodore Brookman Powers, wife of Frederick Rice Powers, was received by profession of faith. The session met at the house of Elder Allen Peter Young and accepted the resignation of Elder Young as clerk. The annual report showed 4 elders, 6 persons added to roll, one dismissed, with the net total of 44 members. Sunday School enrollment was 30. The church gave \$30 for missions and benevolences; and \$313 for congregational expenses. Frank M. Rifenburgh was elected clerk of the session. Mrs. Clara (Young) Ellsworth's death was reported this year.

In 1913 the amount paid the pastor was raised from \$125 to \$140, and aid was asked of the Pennsylvania Synod's Home Mission Funds to bring the total amount of the salary, together with the amount paid by the Orwell and Wysox churches, up to \$1000. The Ladies Aid Society paid Rooker and Ruggles of Towanda \$119.41 for 197 yards of new carpet for the church. The officers were, president, Miss Caroline Lent; vice-president, Mrs. Della Woodburn; second vice-president, Mrs. Emma Rifenburgh; treasurer, Mrs. Bertina Rice (wife of D. S.); and secretary, Mrs. Bessie Goff (wife of Burt). They served a dinner or held a tea each month during the year and paid the bills for fuel, light, cleaning the church, insurance, and \$45 on the salary of the minister.

In 1914, Elder William J. Haney, his wife Mollie Mitten Haney, and their daughter Anita Paulina Haney, were given letters of dismissal to Wysox. Mrs. William A. Tyrrell was elected treasurer of the women's society. A donation party for the pastor at the home of Mrs. Gerdon Knapp gave \$30.30 for the minister's salary. An item in the Ladies Society record book, that a quart of cream was purchased for 40 cents at the cream-



Rev. Fred V. Frisbie

The Reverend Frederick Van Duzer Frisbie was born at Orwell, Pennsylvania, July 13, 1856, the son of George Chauncey and Huldah Jane (Kuykendall) Frisbie, graduated from Lafayette College in 1882, was ordained to the Presbyterian ministry at Bellport, Long Island, September 29, 1885. He married December 24, 1883 Josephine Dimmick of Orwell, Pa., and to this union were born: Frances Virginia (1884), a son (1887) who died in infancy, Katherine Alderson (1889), and Marion Alderson (1892). Mr. Frisbie preached at Bellport fifteen years. He served successively at Webster, New York; Orangeville, Benton and Briar Creek, Pa.; Wysox, Rome and Orwell, Pa.; and Groveland, N. Y., where he died February 7, 1926. Burial was at Orwell, Pa. His ancestral line is given in *The Frisbee-Frisbie Genealogy*. His brother, William K. Frisbie, is cashier of the Farmers National Bank, Rome, Pa.

Mr. Frisbie married, second, March 19, 1900, Jane Landon Moncell of Bellport, Long Island, and to them were born: Huldah Woodruff (married Ernest A. Breckwidel, New Brunswick, N. J.); Ellen Walker Frisbie, Frederick Jones (married Winnifred Fox of Toronto, Canada), Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Elizabeth Gertrude (married James G. Bruce of Syracuse, N. Y.,—they live at Milburn, N. J.); George Chauncey Frisbie (married Margaret Laing).

ery indicates the presence and operation of that business in Rome in 1914. It was located south of the present Dimon wood-working plant on the opposite side of the road.

A letter was given Mrs. Georgianna Study Pogue to the Presbyterian Church at Trafford, Pa., Oct. 18, 1914. At a session meeting held in the home of Elder John A. Allen, with Elder F. M. Rifenburgh and Rev. F. V. Frisbie present, Martin Orsemus Osborne and Sarah Brown Osborne, his wife, were received into membership of the church, with baptism to be given Mrs. Osborne later. Mr. Osborne and Robert R. Cook were elected elders Nov. 29, 1914.

Miss Mary Darwina Barnes (now Mrs. Charles Green), sister of Elder Paul M. Barnes, joined the church Jan. 10, 1915. She, Mrs. Osborne, and Mary Elizabeth Rice, born Sept. 23, 1914, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Rice, were baptized. On March 28th Thomas W. Whitney, Mrs. Lizzie Goff Whitney, his wife, and their daughter Daisy Whitney were received by letters from Marksboro, N. J. and Blairstown, N. J. Mrs. Lettie Alice (Lent) Stevens (sister of Miss Caroline Lent) was baptized and received on profession of faith. Daisy became a trained nurse and married Howard Evans; died from a contagious disease contracted while on duty, in 1927.

In 1915 flowers were furnished in memory of Mr. Allen Woodburn.

Elizabeth Ethlyn ("Betty") was baptized April 4, 1915, the infant daughter (born Jan. 25, 1915) of Frederick R. and Isodore (Brookman) Green Powers. On July 11, 1915 at the communion service, Raymond Reed Cook, born Sept 20, 1912, and Clarice Annette Cook, born July 8, 1914, infant children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Cook, were baptized. (Raymond married Aug. 16, 1940, Mrs. Ruth Maryott of Liberty Corners). Dr. William Rice, Sr., was baptized Sunday evening, Nov. 21, and received a member one week later.

Allen Eugene Barnes, Paul Merritt Barnes, sons of William and Rhoda (Lent) Barnes; George Lester Abell, born March 18, 1899, and De Leon Abell, born Jan. 25, 1901, sons of Guy

and Grace (Forbes) Abell, were admitted as members, April 2, 1916, and baptized.

The Ladies Aid Society furnished flowers for the funerals of Mrs. L. T. Lent and Mrs. Armena Robinson in July, for Mrs. Phronia Bessey, who died Sept. 5, 1916, and for Mrs. Ella Barnes, wife of Truman, in December. A Sunday School Convention was held in Rome in September.

The session of elders received into membership April 16, 1916, Nellie Mildred Horton by confession of faith, and Mrs. Harry Wilson Roberts and his wife Bessie Batey Roberts by letter from Windham, Pa., and had their daughter, Jennie Lathrop Roberts, placed under the care of the church. The report for the year closing March 31, 1916 showed 46 members, \$213 congregational expenditures. New officers in the women's society were Mrs. Bessie Roberts and Mrs. Cora Marsh, vice-presidents.

Robert Howard Cook, born Jan. 19, 1916, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Cook, and Alvin Whitney Rice, born Dec. 25, 1915, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David S. Rice were baptized Oct. 1, 1916. Alvin W. Rice married June 25, 1939 at Sage Chapel, Ithaca, N. Y., Miss Blanche Constance Orzel of Albany, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Orzel, of Amsterdam, N. Y. The vows were read by the Rev. Paul Calvin Payne, D.D., then pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Ithaca, now general secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education. He is employed as assistant veterinarian at the Dr. L. W. Goodman Animal Hospital, 2300 Northern Boulevard, Manhasset, N. Y. Robert H. Cook married January 6, 1938, Cidney Louise, daughter of John and Mabel (Parks) McCabe of Rome.

On Dec. 1, 1916, the Ladies' Aid Society ordered flowers for the funeral service of Flora Woodburn, sister of the secretary, Mrs. Bessie Goff.

The session met Feb. 18, 1917 after church services. Mrs. Georgianna Quigley Johnson was given a letter of dismissal to the Methodist Church at Bumpville, Pa. She now lives at Zephyr Hills, Florida, the wife of a Mr. Davis. The clerk was authorized to get in touch with such members as lived outside of the community with a view of their taking letters to some church near

them. Members in the vicinity of Rome not active in worship or giving were to be interviewed. In April a letter was granted to Mrs. Mona Quigley Landon for the Presbyterian Church in Johnson City, N. Y., where her residence is at 30 Massachusetts Avenue. The following were found to be non-resident: Mrs. Kate Layton, Mrs. Tryphosa Houghtalin, Miss Bernice Quigley, (now Mrs. Bernice Brink, Athens, Route 2, Pa.) Miss Mamie Quigley (now Mrs. Marian Perry, 92 Floral Ave., Johnson City), and Mr. James Kilmer. The church reported a membership of 45, with 30 in the Sunday School. In September Sumner A. Rifenburgh was dismissed to Cutler, Indiana. In July the Ladies' Society bought an American flag for the church auditorium. This was the summer of the year the United States declared war on Germany. Mrs. Wilton Woodburn assisted in a concert at the church. Her husband, Dr. Wilton Woodburn, son of Mrs. Della Woodburn, died unexpectedly after an operation in 1938, at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Hattie Layton Hill was dismissed March 31, 1918 to the Sayre M. E. Church. Miss Mildred Mae Osborne was accepted as a member on examination and was baptized as also were Georgia Helen Powers, born April 27, 1917, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Powers, and James Haney Rice, born July 17, 1917, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David Scott Rice. The annual report showed 4 elders; church membership, 44; Sunday School, 38; \$223 congregational expenses; \$50 for missions and benevolences. Mr. Ulysses Mercur Holmes and Marjorie Moody Holmes, his wife, were received by letter from the North Presbyterian Church of New York City, April 14, 1918. Mrs. Holmes was elected treasurer of the Ladies' Aid Society. They were married at the Wysox Church by Rev. F. V. Frisbie and Rev. William Watson, July 27, 1911. Mr. Holmes is the son of John Holmes of East Towanda. Mrs. Holmes is the daughter of Mrs. Lizzie (Young) Moody Watson.

In June the session and congregation adopted a resolution declaring loyalty to the United States government in prosecuting the war against Germany and her allies. The Ladies' Aid Society served a "Hooverized" dinner.

Dr. William Rice died Jan. 18, 1919. He was the son of Hiram and Amanda (Guernsey) Rice, and father of Mary W., William, David S., Dr. Fred Rice, Mrs. U. G. Russell, and Dr. Robert G. Rice.

The following persons were received into church membership April 20, 1919: Margaret Louise Green, born June 12, 1904, daughter of Harry Lewis Green and his wife Isodore (Brookman) Green, given a letter of dismission to Christ Episcopal Church, Towanda, Pa., in 1931; Jennie Lathrop Roberts; and Walter William Barnes, son of William and Rhoda Lent Barnes. In addition to the last named member received, baptism was administered the same day to Edward Manley, born April 23, 1917, and Lawrence Newcomb, born April 29, 1918, sons of Robert R. and Edna (Wilbur) Cook. Edward M. Cook married Aug. 8, 1936, Mary Elizabeth Cass, daughter of Guy and Julia (Browning) Cass.

The session met before church service on the afternoon of July 13, 1919 and received the following persons by profession of faith: Miss Ruth Maynard Whitney (daughter of Andrew Jackson and Olive [Maynard] Whitney), William Milton Roy, and his wife Mrs. Beulah Merrill Roy. Mr. Roy was baptized at the church service following. Letters of dismission were granted Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Howe to the Methodist Episcopal church at South Hill, in Orwell township.

Mr. Thomas D. Williams and his son, of Altoona, formerly of Wysox, gave a concert at the church in August, bringing in \$15 for the minister's salary. Mr. Williams was a son of Darius Williams, Jr., of Wysox, and composed much choir music. A dozen new hymnals were bought for church services.

The Ladies Society approved the purchase of flowers for funeral services for Mr. Thomas W. Whitney in September, 1919, and for Mr. A. P. Young who died Nov. 2, and Mrs. Emily V. Rice who died Nov. 6, 1920. Mr. Young was a brother-in-law of P. P. Bliss, was the father of Mrs. Lizzie Moody Watson. He was a devoted Christian man, quiet, warm-hearted, considerate, and a fine example for Christian living. His funeral was held in the church. The bodies of the two eldest members of the church

lay dead in the community at the same time. Thomas Wierman Whitney was the son of Andrew J. Whitney and his wife Olive Maynard.

Miss Clara A. Snyder was granted a letter of dismissal to the Presbyterian Church of Nichols, N. Y. Two weeks later Marian Green (sister of Margaret) and Ruth Barnes (daughter of William and Rhoda Barnes) joined by confession of faith.

Marian Caroline Green, born Dec. 9, 1906, the daughter of Harry Lewis and Isodore (Brookman) Green, married Aug. 17, 1929, John Wyckoff Duryee, and they have two children, Nancy Blakeslee, born Jan. 11, 1933, and John Wyckoff, Jr., born Oct. 22, 1937. Their home is in Mattituck, Long Island, N. Y., where he is in the hardware business, conducted by his family for three generations.

The church raised fifty dollars additional for the New Era Movement of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

In July Mr. and Mrs. Roy took letters to the Presbyterian Church at Ulster, Pa. They now live at Towanda, where he is superintendent of the schools of the borough.

In 1921 Mrs. Mary Brown Allis, wife of Harrison Allis, joined the church by letter from the Sayre church, and George Lester Abell was dismissed by letter to the First Presbyterian Church of Wilkinsburg, Pa. It was decided by the session to approve a union of the Presbyterian with the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School, meeting alternately at the M. E. Church after the morning preaching service there, and before the afternoon service of the Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. F. V. Frisbie was presented twenty-five dollars at a party held in his honor in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the beginning of his pastorate.

Rev. F. V. Frisbie once told one who excused non-attendance at church because of the poor example in Christian living of some one who did attend:

"He might be worse if he did not attend; and you might be better if you did."

Mr. Frisbie, having been called to the pastorate of the Sparta Presbyterian Church at Groveland, N. Y., asked for a dissolution of the pastoral relation with the Rome church. This was granted September 27, 1921, to take effect in November. On Oct. 9, at the communion service, Harold Arthur, born March 16, 1921 infant son of Robert R. and Edna (Wilbur) Cook; and on Nov. 6, at the church service, Thomas Gerould, born April 13, 1921, infant son of David Scott and Bertina (Haney) Rice, were baptized.

The Ladies' Aid Society paid fifty dollars in October toward a new furnace for the church.

Messrs. Fred R. Powers, Paul M. Barnes, and DeLeon Abel were elected elders Nov. 6, 1921.

CHAPTER XI

ROME CHURCH, 1922—1930

Rev. A. M. Brown, Lackawanna presbytery superintendent for suburban churches, moderated a session meeting Jan. 15, 1922, when a letter of dismissal was granted Mrs. May Allis to the First Church of Wyalusing (Camptown).

On March 26th, letters were given Harry Roberts, his wife Elizabeth, and daughter Jennie, to the Athens Presbyterian Church. The annual report to Presbytery listed 33 communicants, total contributions \$466, Sunday School membership, 63. Rev. J. A. Blacklock supplied the pulpit till the last of 1922. The Ladies Aid Society paid \$26.47 toward the expenses of cost of moving of Rev. F. V. Frisbie to Groveland, N. Y.

In 1923 Miss Caroline Lent was received by letter from the Wysox Church. She was elected president of the Aid Society. Other officers elected were Mrs. A. J. Whitney, Mrs. D. S. Rice, Mrs. P. M. Barnes, vice-presidents; Mrs. U. M. Holmes, treasurer; Mrs. William A. Tyrrell, secretary. Mr. Paul Cotton, a Princeton Seminary student, served this church in connection with Orwell and Wysox. He later published a book entitled *From Sabbath to Sunday*. On June 10th, Helen Ida Abell, born Jan. 30, 1905, (daughter of Guy and Grace Forbes Abell), Kathryn Forbes Barnes, born Aug. 16, 1904, (daughter of Lester and Charlotte Bush Forbes), and Eulalie Moody Holmes (daughter of Ulysses Mercur and Marjorie Moody Holmes) were received into membership on confession of faith. Rev. A. M. Brown administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and baptized Helen Abell. Miss Abell teaches primary grades in the Rome School. Miss Eulalie Holmes graduated from Pennsylvania State College and the Women's Educational and Industrial Union of Boston, Mass., and became dietitian at Dartmouth Col-

lege, Hanover, New Hampshire. She married Jan. 1, 1939 in the First Presbyterian Church of York, Penna., Mr. Stephen Russell Stearns, son of Hiram Austin and Elisabeth (Brown) Stearns of Manchester, New Hampshire. Mr. Stearns is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Thayer School of Civil Engineering, and was employed by Ganett, Eastman and Fleming, engineers, Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Stearns is now at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, as a civil engineer. Mr. and Mrs. Stearns had an infant daughter, Marjorie Elizabeth, born to them Aug. 10, 1942, named after her both grandmothers, Mrs. Marjorie Holmes and Mrs. Elizabeth Stearns.

Rev. E. C. Musselman served as stated supply minister from 1924 to 1926. In April, 1924 Walter Barnes was dismissed to the First Presbyterian Church of Johnson City, N. Y. On July 13th, the following new members were added to the roll: Miss Cora Belle Barns (daughter of William and Rhoda Lent Barns), Miss Ella Marian Daugherty (daughter of Francis and Ethel (Drake) Daugherty, married Harold Wheeler of Athens and has 3 children: twins born Aug. 22, 1928, Francis Sheridan and Donald Eugene; and Marilyn Kay, born March 28, 1937); Miss Grace Almira Abell (daughter of Guy and Grace Forbes Abell), Mr. Ferdinand Augustus Abell, son of above parents, Mr. Charles H. Green, Mrs. Julia Layton Cannan (widow of Bird), by confession of faith; the following by renewal: Mr. Manville P. Wilbur (brother of Mrs. Robert R. Cook), Mrs. Clara Myra Wilbur (wife of Manville, daughter of Julius Drake), Mr. Andrew J. Whitney, Jr., and Mr. Richard B. Whitney (his brother); and by letter, Mrs. Fannie E. (Cook) Sink, wife of Dana Sink, (sister of Robert R. Cook). F. Augustus Abell married April 17, 1937, Miss Dorothy P. Patterson of Pottersville, Pa. Marian Louise, born May 16, 1915; Mavis Pearl, born Aug. 23, 1916; Edna Maude, born July 15, 1920, were children of Manville P. and Clara Myra (Drake) Wilbur, were baptized at the time the parents joined the church, according to the statement of their mother.



SOPHRONIA'S WEDDING

Seated, left to right: Billie Nesbit, Miss Marian Green, Mrs. C. M. Dimon, Miss Grace Dimon, Mrs. Francis Daugherty, Miss Ulaie Holmes.

Standing: Miss Caroline Lent, Mrs. Manville Wilbur, Mrs. Flossie Allen, Mrs. William Tyrrell, Mrs. Ray Sick, Miss Emily Russell, Mrs. U. M. Holmes, Mrs. Howard Nesbit, Mrs. Harry Dimon, Miss Betty Powers, Mrs. Wilbur Beers, Mrs. P. M. Barnes.

The moderator reported the following infant baptisms at the Children's Day service June 22: Ralph Marshall, son of Robert R. and Edna (Wilbur) Cook, born Oct. 16, 1922; Manville Paul, son of Robert R. and Edna (Wilbur) Cook, born March 8, 1924; Andrew Jackson, son of A. J. and Olive (Woodburn) Whitney, born Jan. 4, 1924; Frederick Woodburn, son of D. S. and Bertina (Haney) Rice, born Oct. 28, 1922; Catherine Rhoda, daughter of Chas. H. and Mary (Barnes) Green, born Oct. 9, 1923; Betty Grace, daughter of Richard B. and Alberta (Bennett) Whitney, born Aug. 5, 1920, (married Aug. 7, 1939, Robert Mahlon Thorpe); Emilie Jeanne, daughter of Richard B. and Alberta Whitney, born March 20, 1923.

Manville P. Cook was sworn into the U. S. Marines July 14, 1941. He was stationed at Quantico, Va., in the 15th Provisional Company. On March 1, 1942 he was at New River, N. C.

In October Mrs. Ethel M. Daugherty, wife of Francis, was received by baptism. She is a sister of Mrs. Manville P. Wilbur. Their father was Julius K. Drake. Lester Forbes Barnes, born Sept. 26, 1924, the son of Elder Paul M. Barnes and his wife Kathryn (Forbes) Barnes, was baptized April 5, 1925. The report to presbytery for the year ending March 31, 1925 showed 11 received on examination, one by letter, eight suspended, 41 resident and a total of 49 members. Four hundred seventy-four dollars was paid in congregational expenses, and \$50 contributed to benevolences.

On July 12, 1925, Ethel May, born Jan. 30, 1925, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wilbur was baptized, and the baptism of Esther Clark, born Aug. 29, 1924, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whitney, was reported as having been administered on Children's Day.

On Sunday, Oct. 18th, William Frank, born Aug. 3, 1925, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Green, was baptized.

At the end of the calendar year the treasurer's report showed receipts of \$512.24; expenditures \$342.60, and a balance of \$169.64. The Ladies' Aid Society gave \$50 toward the expense of electric fixtures and wiring of the church.

Arthur Martin was enrolled by letter April 4, 1926 from the Wysox Church. The report to presbytery showed one member added by certificate; no dismissals or deaths.

On July 11, 1926, Mrs. Edna (Ellis) Dimon (wife of Clinton), Elizabeth Rice (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Rice), Florence Tyrrell, born May 17, 1915, (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tyrrell), Georgia Powers (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Powers) and Clarice Cook (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Cook) were admitted to the church membership. Near this time, Ruth Eva Green, born Oct. 11, 1926, daughter of Charles H. Green and his wife, Mary Barnes, was baptized.

Rev. Charles Smith began as stated supply minister of the Wysox and Rome churches April 1, 1927, living in the manse at Wysox. Miss Sarah Martin, daughter of John Martin; Miss Leree, daughter of Berton and Elizabeth (Dimon) Conklin; Miss Sybil, daughter of Guy and Julia (Browning) Cass; Elizabeth E., daughter of F. R. and Isadore B. Powers joined by confession of faith in July, 1927. John Allen Holmes, son of Ulysses Mercur Holmes and Marjorie (Moody) Holmes, joined the church Oct. 2, 1927. John is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College, now employed by the International Business Machine of Endicott, N. Y. at New York City. He married, May 19, 1939, Miss Charlotte Syme of Flushing, N. Y., daughter of David William and Charlotte Ruth (Parker) Syme, late of Floral Park, (Long Island), New York. They live at 160-36 27th Avenue, Flushing, N. Y., and have an infant son, Peter Allen Holmes, born Jan. 20, 1941.

During this year the church was painted by D. R. Lewis. Mrs. Mildred (Davis) Stoll, wife of Dr. I. V. Stoll, joined by letter from LeRayville church in 1929, and Alvin Whitney Rice and James Haney Rice by confession of faith. David Mitten Rice, born Oct. 24, 1928, son of D. S. and Bertina (Haney) Rice, was baptized June 30, 1929; also William Cranmer, born March 1, 1926 at Wellsboro, Pa., son of A. J. and Olive (Woodburn) Whitney.

Mrs. Ida Lillian (Chaffee) Woodburn, wife of Edward, daughter of Earl Rupert and Margaret (Conklin) Chaffee, joined

by letter from Beaver, Pa., and Mrs. Charlotte Bush Forbes by confession, Jan. 12, 1930. Mrs. Forbes is the wife of G. Lester Forbes, and daughter of George and Charlotte (Crew) Bush of Bristol, England, and was born at Barclay, Pa., Feb. 14, 1871. Her husband died Nov. 4, 1940.

At a service held Sept. 29, 1929 the following infants were baptized: Ruth Emmer Stoll, born March 31, 1927; Robert Stephen Stoll, born Jan. 5, 1929, children of Dr. I. V. and Mildred (Davis) Stoll; Edna Ruth, born March 19, 1929, daughter of Robert R. and Edna (Wilbur) Cook; Myra Jane, born Oct. 17, 1928, daughter of Paul M. and Kathryn (Forbes) Barnes. In April, 1930, Mrs. Marian Green Duryee was granted a letter to the Presbyterian church at Mattituck, Long Island, N. Y. Elder P. M. Barnes was elected clerk of the session. In 1931 Mrs. Lizzie Conklin was elected president of the Ladies Aid Society, with Mrs. John Woodburn, Mrs. William A. Tyrrell, and Miss Caroline Lent vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, respectively. Dinner meetings were appointed to be held the third Thursday of each month.

The Rev. Charles Smith went in August, 1930, to Uniondale, Pa. to serve the church there and at Forrest City, Pa. He is now pastor of the Stella Presbyterian church, Forty Fort, Pa.

CHAPTER XII

A DECADE AND MORE

Rev. Victor C. Detty began service as stated supply in October, 1930, and was installed pastor May 6, 1931. On February 1, 1931 Mrs. Mary Evelyn (Mace), wife of John Woodburn (daughter of Harvey and Catherine (White) Mace of Herrick, Pa.), Silas Fred Frederick, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Frederick, and Mrs. Hattie (Bull) Frederick joined the church by confession of faith, and the last three named were baptized. Margaret Frederick married June 16, 1932, Mr. Wurt E. Brown, son of Orlando W. Brown of Myersburg, Wysox township. Mrs. W. G. Funk was received by letter from the church at Nicholson, Pa. In April a letter was granted Mrs. Margaret Louise (Greene) Schwartz (wife of Dr. Philip H.) to the Christ Episcopal Church of Towanda. Mrs. Elizabeth Waldo Glenn, Miss Ethel Marie Bagley (since married Paul Emerson Harbst of LeRaysville), John William Bagley and Edward Manley Cook were admitted to membership on confession of faith, and the first three were baptized April 5. The Bagleys are children of Boyd Oscar and Kathryn (Woodburn) Bagley and grandchildren of John and Mary (Mace) Woodburn of Rome.

John William Bagley enlisted in 1941 in the United States Army, and was stationed at the Recruit Training Center, Paine Field, Everett, Washington. He was transferred to Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

On Easter Sunday, April 5, 1931, William Lyons Rice, and his mother Nina Margaret (Allis) Rice, wife of William Rice; also George Edward Rice, brother of William Lyons Rice; Maxine Vivian Bagley, sister of Marie, and married since to Arthur Goodrich of Conklin, R. D., No. 1, New York; Reuben William Brimmer (son of John), Walter Buttles Abell (son of Guy and Grace Abell), Robert Howard Cook, Donald Charles Miller and his mother Blanche Julia, wife of Lee Miller, were

received on confession of faith and baptized, with the exception of Robert H. Cook and Mrs. Blanche Miller, who had been baptized. Also, Marian Louise, and Mavis Pearl Wilbur, daughters of Manville Wilbur; (Marian married Lester Harvey* of Rome, Aug. 12, 1933, Mavis married May 29, 1935, Carlton Allis of Athens), Susan Marie Daugherty (married Francis Cass, who died July 4, 1939), daughter of Mr. Francis and Ethel (Drake) Daugherty, Edward Allen Woodburn (son of John Wattles and Mamie Kilmer Woodburn); and Marjorie Ellis (married Dec. 12, 1932 Vosburg Kinter, Tunkhannock), sister of Mrs. Clinton Dimon, were admitted to membership on confession of faith. Mary Jane Moore, (granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Woodburn, daughter of Mrs. Eva (Woodburn) Moore of Athens and Frank Edward ("Buddie") McGovern, son of Edward McGovern of Binghamton, nephew of Mrs. William A. Tyrrell, were baptized. Two infant children were baptized: Julius Dan and Julia Ann, twins of Manville and Myra (Drake) Wilbur. The twins were born March 27, 1930.

Mrs. Nina Allis Rice, mentioned above, has in her possession an iron fork which is thought to have been used in breaking open tea chests at the Boston Tea Party in 1773. Her uncle was a blacksmith and one day a man by name of John Kneeland of Orwell township brought this fork to have it mended. Being in a hurry he took in place of this another one for temporary use which the blacksmith had. The fork was never reclaimed. It is believed that John Kneeland used this fork on the night of Dec. 6, 1773, when he was one of a party of fifty men and boys who, dressed like Indians, dumped 340 chests of tea into the Boston harbor. (Heverly, C. F., *Pioneer and Patriot Families of Bradford County*). John Kneeland died Aug. 21, 1851 in the 87th year of his age, and his wife Miriam Sept. 9, 1836 aged 70, according to their gravestones in Rome cemetery.

Rev. Victor Charles Detty was installed pastor Wednesday evening, May 6, 1931. Scripture was read by Rev. Milton Lewis Cook, who had been born and baptized in Rome while his father was pastor in 1851. Rev. S. Turner Foster of Carbondale made the invocation; Rev. J. L. Weaver of Towanda preached; Rev.

Thomas L. Baxter of Wyalusing gave the charge to the pastor; Rev. George Gensemer of Sayre the charge to the people; Rev. A. G. Cameron of Sylvania led in prayer, and Rev. William G. Funk took part in the service.

A vacation church school was held jointly with local Methodist church during the summer. The church windows were repaired at a cost of \$100, provided by the Ladies Aid Society. Mrs. Marie Woodburn Johnson (wife of Richard) was given a letter of dismissal in February, 1932, to the West Presbyterian Church of Binghamton, N. Y. Mrs. Emma V. Case was received by letter from the Ardina Baptist Church, Ardina, N. J. She died June 3, 1935. The church reported to presbytery 19 new members, and a loss of two. The net total of members was 72; \$604 was the total amount given for congregational expenses, with \$60 for missions and benevolences. Barbara Ann, daughter of Clinton M. and Edna (Ellis) Dimon, born Sept. 29, 1927, was baptized June 27, 1932. Also Frances Alene, born Feb. 19, 1929, daughter of Charles and Mary (Barnes) Green, and their son George Henry Green, born June 6, 1930.

On Aug. 13, 1932, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Cook, Miss Clarice Annette Cook was married to Glenn Edward Daugherty, son of Glenn of North Orwell.

In cooperation with the Wysox Presbyterian Church and the Orwell Federated Church a series of Biblical addresses was given at the Rome Church by the Rev. Robert Wells Veach, D.D., of Ridgewood, New Jersey in the fall of 1932. As a result of these meetings the following joined the church on Christmas day: G. Harold Frederick, Harriette E. (wife of G. Harold Frederick), Frances E., and William B. Frederick (their children); Mrs. Pauline B. (Frederick) Van Sice (wife of Samuel); Wurt E. Brown; and T. Gerould Rice, son of D. S. and Bertina H. Rice. Charlene V. Frederick, infant daughter of G. Harold and Harriette Frederick, was baptized with her parents, sister and brother. Mrs. Frederick died Jan. 24, 1934. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Baker of Ithaca, N. Y. Mrs. M. Grace Whitney, widow of Andrew Jackson Whitney, died in May, 1932. Her maiden name was Hoover. She was a faith-

ful attendant and supporter. Mrs. Lizzie Powers, mother of Elder F. R. Powers, died Aug. 15, 1932. Mrs. Elizabeth (Goff) Whitney died on April 26 of the same year. Mrs. Della (Wattles) Woodburn (widow of Allen), mother of Dr. Wilton Woodburn, died at the age of 82 on Sept. 2, 1932. Dr. Wilton Woodburn died in Pittsburgh, Pa., March 20, 1938. His wife, Mrs. Georgia (Guepner) Woodburn, who is a talented singer, has often sung in the Rome Presbyterian Church. She lives in Pittsburgh with her two children, Marjorie and Wilton Woodburn, and spends a portion of each summer at Rome.

On July 23, 1933, Mr. William Rice, whose wife, Nina (Allis) Rice, had recently recovered from a severe operation, her life having been despaired of at the hospital, came in gratitude to God before the session of elders and united with the church. At the same time, Margaret Elizabeth, infant daughter of Edward Allen and Ida Lillian (Chaffee) Woodburn, born June 9, 1932, was baptized.

For the year closing March 31, 1934, the church suffered loss by the death of Mrs. Charlotte Hicks, widow of Fred M., and mother of George Hicks, daughter of Samuel Mann. She died Nov. 16, 1933. On Easter Sunday, April 1, 1934, Lois Anne, born June 6, 1933, daughter of Glenn and Clarice (Cook) Daugherty, was baptized.

The pastor married June 2, 1934, George E. Conrad of Endicott, N. Y., and Cora B. Barnes, at the home of Mrs. Rhoda Lent Barnes, mother of the bride.

On children's day, June 17, 1934, William Manley Lentz, born Nov. 18, 1932, son of William Benjamin and Leree (Conklin) Lentz of Elmira, was baptized. On July 7, at their home at North Rome, Eleanor Louise (19), LaVerne (16), and Ruby Frances (11), children of Ray L. and Hazel (Platt) Nichols were baptized by the pastor, and Eleanor Louise was united in marriage to George A. Crain. Francis Wilbur Cook, son of Robert and Edna Wilbur Cook, was married Nov. 19, 1934, to Clara Josephine Finch, daughter of Walter and Hala (Ellsworth) Finch, of Windham township. On July 21, 1935, Ruth Ann, infant daughter of Edward A. and Lillian (Chaffee) Woodburn,

born Feb. 27, 1935, was baptized at the Sunday morning service. At this service Mrs. Georgia Woodburn sang a solo, "Suffer the Little Children," an original composition by her friend, Helen Roessing, organist of the Waverly Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Milton Daugherty, neé Ruth Barnes (daughter of William and Rhoda Lent Barnes), was given a letter to the Rome Methodist Episcopal Church July 26. Elder De Leon Abell was dismissed to the Warren Center Methodist Church.

LaVerne Nichols graduated from the Bliss Electrical School, Washington, D. C. in 1941. Ruby F. Nichols married Sept. 6, 1941 Mr. Reed Hensel, and lives at East Rochester, N. Y. (210 West Commercial Street). LaVerne entered the United States Army, Oct. 16, 1941. In 1942 he was in Ireland, with this address: Private E. Laverne Nichols, 33101950, Co. C., 135th Infantry, Care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

On August 2, 1935, E. Wesley Hayward and Miss Gladys D. Nichols (daughter of Floyd and Ethel [Strope] Nichols) were married by the pastor at Wysox; and two days later William Lyons Rice, son of William and Nina (Allis) Rice, was united in marriage to Miss Elsie May Baxter, daughter of William Lindly Baxter and his wife Norah L. Payne, of Orwell township. They live in Towanda at 37 Locust Street. He has a position with the Patterson Screen Company.

Wesley and Gladys Hayward have a son, Floyd Edward, born, Aug. 23, 1937.

Sanda Lucile, born Sept. 4, 1934 infant daughter of G. Edward and Clarice (Cook) Daugherty, was baptized August, 1935.

On Sunday, June 21, 1936, two children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Green were baptized: Mary Louise, born Aug. 4, 1933, and James Allen, born June 8, 1935. (Two other children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Green: Walter Edward, Oct. 31, 1937; and Cora, Aug. 2, 1939).

Early in 1936 a committee, Mrs. U. M. Holmes, Miss Mary W. Rice and Miss Ruth M. Whitney, was appointed to arrange for a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the erection of the present brick church. The session cooperated and the week of November 8 to 15 was the period of five special days with services. The complete program is here given:

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
DEDICATION OF THE PRESENT
CHURCH BUILDING OF THE
ROME PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROME, PENNSYLVANIA
NOVEMBER 8-15, 1936

Sunday, Nov. 8, 1936

10:00 A. M. Sunday School. Mr. Wm. Funk, Supt.
Reading of Records of Sunday School of 1867.

7:15 P. M. Christian Endeavor Meeting. Reminiscences.

7:45 P. M. Neighbor Church Night. Historical Sermon
by Pastor, Rev. V. C. Detty, "The Rome Church, 1844-
1886."

Tuesday, Nov. 10th, 7:30 P. M.

Bliss Music Night. Tableau of 1886. Address by Rev.
Montague White, Troy, Pa.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 7:30 P. M.

Harvest Home Cantata. Address by Rev. H. L. Somers,
Tunkhannock Pa. "From Now On."

Thursday, Nov. 12th, 6:30 P. M.

Fellowship Supper, with greetings from former and
neighbor ministers.

Sunday, Nov. 15th, 1936

10:00 A. M. Sunday School. Mr. Wm. Funk, Supt.
Reading of Records of Sunday School of 1867.

11:00 A. M. Communion Service.

2:30 P. M. Rededication Service, duplicate of 1886.
Sermon by Rev. Geo. B. Gensemer, Sayre, Pa. Re-
dedication Prayer by Rev. P. H. Hazlett, Towanda, Pa.

SUNDAY, NOV. 8th, 1936, 7:45 P. M.

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE—Mrs. U. M. Holmes.

CALL TO WORSHIP—Pastor.

DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION—People standing.

RESPONSIVE READING—Psalm 84.

Minister:—How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord.

People:—Even Thine alters, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Minister:—Blessed are They that dwell in Thy house; they will be still praising Thee.

People:—Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee; in whose heart are the highways of Zion.

Minister:—Passing through the valley of Weeping they make it a place of springs.

People:—Yea, the early rain covereth it with blessings.

Minister:—They go from strength to strength; every one of them appeareth before God in Zion.

People:—O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear O God of Jacob.

Minister:—Behold O God our shield, and look upon the face of Thine annointed.

People:—For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand.

Minister:—I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

People:—For the Lord God is a sun and a shield.

Minister:—The Lord will give grace and glory.

People:—No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

Minister:—O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee.

GLORIA PATRI.

HYMN 301, Presbyterian Hymnal; 247 Church School Hymnal for Youth. 1. Glorious things of Thee are spoken, Zion, City of our God; He whose word cannot be broken formed Thee for His own abode; On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake Thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou mayst smile at all Thy foes. 2. See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply Thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove; who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage; Grace, which like the Lord the Giver, never fails from age to age. 4. Savior, if of Zion's City I, thro grace a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name; fading is the worldling's pleasure; all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know. Amen.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES—Psalm 145.

PRAYER.

OFFERTORY.

HISTORICAL SERMON:—Deut. 4:32; "For ask now of the days that are past; which were before thee..." Rome Presbyterian Church. 1844-1886; by the Pastor, Rev. V. C. Detty.

HYMN:—"Blest be the Tie That Binds." (Tune—Dennis).

TUESDAY, NOV. 10th, 7:30 P. M. BLISS MUSIC NIGHT.

I. "WELCOME SWEET SUNSHINE".

"JESUS LOVES EVEN ME" written by Mr. Philip P. Bliss, sung by Howard Acla, Charles Beers, Blanche Bennett, Charlotte Billings, Carol Bixby, Ruth Cook, Ethel Deats, Frances Green, Juanita Green, Geo. Green, Esther Russell, Bobby Stoll, Julia Wilbur, Julius Wilbur. (Trained and directed by Miss Gertrude Barnes).

- II. "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL" by P. P. Bliss, sung by Mary Russell, Irma Kier, William Nesbitt.

III. "FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY."

"LET THE LOWER LIGHTS BE BURNING", words and music by P. P. Bliss, sung by Lester Barnes, Carl Bennett, Leon Edsell, Huston Morley, Frederick Rice, with congregation joining in the refrain:

"Let the lower lights be burning;
Send a gleam across the wave.
Some poor fainting, struggling seaman
You may rescue, you may save."

IV. READING OF THE SCRIPTURES. HEBREWS 11: 1-16.

- V. "ROCK OF AGES" written by Mrs. P. P. Bliss, sung by Ethel Boardman, Margaret Joyce, Irma Keir, Esthel Morley, Mary Russell, Edna Wilbur.

VI. PRAYER.

- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING WITH SOLO, "LOVE ONE ANOTHER" written by P. P. Bliss; sung by Mary Russell.

- VIII. DUET. "WHOSOEVER WILL" written by P. P. Bliss; sung by Irma Keir and Mary Russell.

- IX. ADDRESS, "God Having Provided Some Better Things for Us, That They Without Us Should Not Be Made Perfect," Heb. 11:40, by Rev. Montague White, pastor Troy Presbyterian Church.

- X. "WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE" by P. P. Bliss, stanzas sung by Thomas Sink, Browning Smith, William Nesbitt, with congregation singing refrain:

"Beautiful words, wonderful words of life;
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words
of life."

XI. TABLEAU OF THE PERIOD OF 1886, showing costumes.

XII. BENEDICTION.

A number of antique articles will be on exhibit, including the old communion set used in the old church. The communion table was made by Fred M. Hicks, father of George Hicks.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11th, 7:30 P. M.

I. PRELUDE—Mrs. John Raffensperger.

II. SINGING OF DOXOLOGY—Congregation.

III. INVOCATION.

IV. SCRIPTURE READING.

V. CANTATA—"HARVEST HOME" by Wm. Baines, directed by Mr. Frank Bartlett, with singers from the the Rome, Orwell and Wysox churches, assisted by soloists, Mrs. Estelle Cranmer of Monroeton, Mrs. P. H. Hazlett, Mr. Leo Williams, Mrs. A. K. Sundberg of Rome, and accompanied by Mrs. John Raffensperger, Towanda.

VI. ADDRESS by Rev. H. L. Somers, Executive, Lackawanna Presbytery, Tunhannock, Pa., "FROM NOW ON."

VII. HYMN—"ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS", No. 374 Presbyterian Hymnal.

1. Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching as to War
With the cross of Jesus going on before;
Christ, the Royal Master, leads against the foe,
Forward into battle, see His banners go.

Refrain: Onward Christian soldiers marching as to war,

With the cross of Jesus going on before.

3. Like a mighty army moves the Church of God;
Brothers we are treading where the saints have trod;
We are not divided, all one body we, one in hope and
doctrine, One in charity. Refrain.
4. Crowns and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and
wane,
But the Church of Jesus constant will remain;
Gates of hell can never 'Gainst the Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail.
Refrain.
5. Onward, then ye people, join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices, in the triumph song;
Glory, laud and honor, unto Christ the King; this
through countless ages, men and angels sing. Refrain.

VIII. BENEDICTION.

THURSDAY, NOV. 12th, 6:30 P. M.

The women of the church will serve a family supper, each family bringing sandwiches and a covered dish. Former ministers and neighbor pastors guests of the church, and expected to bring words of reminiscences and greeting.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP—(Tune—Dennis, No. 408, Pres. Hymnal).

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne, we pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one; our comforts and
and our cares;
3. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
4. When we are called to part from those we hold in love;
We shall be with them still in heart, and hope to meet above.
5. From sorrow, toil and pain, and sin we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign thru all eternity.

SUNDAY, NOV. 15th, 1936

10 A. M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL—Mr. Wm. Funk, Supt. Reading Records.

11 A. M.—COMMUNION SERVICE.

2:30 P. M.—RE-DEDICATION SERVICE, DUPLICATING DEDICATION 1886.

1.—DOXOLOGY.

2.—READING OF SCRIPTURE.

3.—HYMN—Tune—St. Anne.

1. Arise O King of grace! arise and enter to thy rest;
Lo! thy church waits with longing eyes, thus to be
owned and blest.
2. Enter with all Thy glorious train, Thy spirit and
Thy word; All that the ark did once contain could
no such grace afford.
3. Here, mighty God, accept our vows; here let Thy
praise be spread; Bless the provisions of Thy house,
and fill Thy poor with bread.
4. Here let the Son of David reign, let God's an-
ointed shine; Justice and truth His court main-
tain with love and power divine.
5. Here let Him hold a lasting throne; and as His
kingdom grows, fresh honors shall adorn His
crown, and shame confound his foes. Amen.

4. PRAYER.

5. SOLO.

6. SERMON

Rev. Geo. B. Gensemer, Sayre. (Rev. S. C. Logan, 1886).

7. SERVICE OF REDEDICATION.

A. Psalm 84 read responsively (see program of Sun-
day night, Nov. 8th).

B. Act of Dedication.

“BELOVED: We learn from the Holy Scriptures that houses erected for the public worship of God are to be specially set apart for that purpose. With gratitude to Him who hath put it into our hearts to undertake this work, and who has enabled us to complete it, we are now ready to dedicate this house to the worship of God, according to the usages of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.”

PASTOR AND CONGREGATION: “Now therefore arise, O Lord God, into Thy resting place, Thou and the ark of Thy strength; let Thy priests, O Lord God, be clothed with salvation, and let Thy saints rejoice in goodness.” C. Re-dedicatory Prayer, Rev. P. H. Hazlett (Rev. J. S. Stewart, 1886).

8. No. 956 in the old Presbyterian Hymnal without music, copyrighted 1874, to the Long Meter Tune, DUKE STREET.

1. “An earthly temple here we raise, Lord God our Savior to Thy praise; Oh, make thy gracious presence known, while now we lay its cornerstone.
2. Within Thy house Thy servants dear deign by Thy spirit to appear; On all its walls salvation write, from corner-stone to topmost height.
3. And when this temple “made with hands” upon its firm foundation stands, Oh may we all with loving hearts in nobler building bear a part.
4. Where every polished stone shall be a human soul won back to Thee; All resting upon Christ alone, the chief and precious corner stone.
5. So, when our toil is o’er at last, all labor in both temples past, Oh, may it then by works be shown that faith hath laid this cornerstone.”

BENEDICTION (and photographing of congregation).



Rome Methodist Church
Built by George W. Eastman



Home bought by P. P. Bliss, now owned by Mr. D. S. Rice.

On Easter Sunday night, March 28, 1937, Adam Russell and his wife, Elizabeth (Phillips) Russell, became members by certificate from the Plains Church. Miss Sarah Irene McCabe, and her sister, Miss Dorothy Elizabeth McCabe, daughters of John and Mabel (Parks) McCabe of Towner Hill; Mr. Leonard Jason Abell and his sister Miss Marguerite Abell, joined the church by confession of faith and baptism. Frederick Woodburn Rice, son of David S. and Bertina (Haney) Rice joined by confession. A church letter was granted to Mrs. Cora (Barnes) Conrad, wife of George, to the First Presbyterian Church of Johnson City, N. Y.

Mr. Leonard J. Abell graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in the class of 1939 with the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Surgery. He is stationed at Fort Reno, El Reno, Okla. Having accepted a commission in the United State army at graduation, he began service in 1941, after 2 years of teaching in the University of Pennsylvania. His brother, Guy Abell, D. V. S., was stationed at the same fort. Marguerite graduated in 1941 from Mansfield State Teacher's College, and teaches in the high school at South Waverly, Pa.

At the annual congregational meeting held April 8, 1937, the pastor reported 52 church services held; local community meetings attended, 15; cantata rehearsals, 12; young people's meetings attended, 17; pastoral calls, 115; presbytery meetings attended, 7; total communicant members, 71. The church treasurer, Miss Mary W. Rice, reported receipts from Ladies' Auxiliary, \$173.22, from subscriptions \$221.71; collections, \$64.10; interest, \$7.50; Mother's day offering, \$25.11; Rigsbee concert, \$2.15; assessments, \$10.75; balance on hand from 1936-1937, \$4.58. Expenditures reported were: minister's salary (13 months) \$298.85; pension payments, \$28.08; benevolences, \$25; wood, \$31.75; electric lights, \$34.20; repairs, \$9.18; insurance, \$7.20; janitor, \$21.75; Newville Home, \$25.00; flowers for Rev. W. G. Funk, \$2; miscellaneous, \$20.01; Presbytery Assessment, \$20,—a total of \$499.02, and leaving a balance of \$10.10. The Sunday School reported \$65.28 received. Mr. A. K. Sundberg, principal of Rome High School, was superintendent.

Gerould Rice and Walter Abell were elected ushers; Miss Beatrice McNitt (High School Music Instructor), choir director; Mrs. U. M. Holmes, pianist; Mrs. F. R. Powers, Mrs. P. M. Barnes, and Miss Caroline Lent, flower committee; Mrs. A. K. Sundberg, Christian Endeavor Society superintendent. For the Ladies' Auxiliary, Mrs. P. M. Barnes was elected president; Mrs. D. S. Rice, vice-president. Both the church treasurer and the Ladies' Auxiliary were given a vote of appreciation for their excellent work; also the Sunday School committee. After a six weeks' course in preparation for church membership, the following joined the church April 17, 1938: Harold Arthur Cook, his brother, Ralph Marshall Cook, William Russell and his sister Mary, children of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Russell; Lester Forbes Barnes and Frank Edward McGovern, Jr., nephew of Mrs. Irene Tyrell.

William Russell left for army training camp Nov. 25, 1941. Mary Russell entered the training school of Arnot-Ogden Memorial Hospital, Elmira, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1940. William was assigned to regimental headquarters battery, 85th Coast Art., A. A., Camp Davis, N. C.

In the first quarter of 1938 the session voted to have a church survey made of the families in the district served by the Rome Presbyterian Church in accordance with blanks furnished by the National Missions Committee of Lackawanna Presbytery. Sixty-eight families having 198 persons were either connected in some way with the church or had no connection with any other church, and were considered the responsibility of the Rome Presbyterian Church.

There were received by letter from the Juniata Presbyterian Church, Jan. 9, 1938, Mr. George W. Chase and his wife Viola (Taylor) Chase, daughter of Mortimer K. and Martha Hala (Maynard) Taylor, granddaughter of Edwin and great-granddaughter of Benjamin Taylor, the latter first settler on Taylor Hill. Benjamin was born in Groton, Conn. Benjamin's wife was Bathesheba Janes, a native of Springfield, Mass. Bathesheba was a sister of Bishop Edmund S. Janes, one of the founders of Drew Theological Seminary in New Jersey, where Rev.



(Standing) Frederick, Gerould, Alvin, James, Elizabeth Rice. (Seated) David S. Rice, David, Mrs. D. S. Rice.

Whitney Truesdale, a great-great-grandson of Bathesheba Janes, sister of the bishop, received his education in theology. The Rev. Mr. Truesdale is a son of Mrs. Minnie Truesdale, sister of Mrs. Chase, and is pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Olean, N. Y. Mr. Chase, who was elected an elder of the Rome Presbyterian Church, is the son of Barlow Chase of Otego, N. Y., and his wife, Jane Hutchinson, who moved to Scranton, Pa., before the day of railroads. Elder George Chase and his wife live on Taylor Hill, and have a daughter, Miss Leree Stella Chase, in missionary service in Teheran, Iran (Persia), a part of whose support has been assumed by the Rome church.

On June 12, 1938 the following children of Guy and Julia (Browning) Cass were baptized: Shirley June, daughter, born June 3, 1926; Montague Odell, son, born Aug. 10, 1928; and Carol Joice, daughter, born March 27, 1933. Mr. Cass died Dec. 2, 1937. He was the son of Seneca J. and Elizabeth (Dimmick) Cass, the latter the daughter of Rev. Francis Dimmick of Orwell.

Mrs. Elizabeth Maynard (widow of M. L.), a member of the church, died at the home of her sister, Miss Caroline Lent, Dec. 13, 1938, at the age of 91, having been born June 29, 1847, the daughter of Lewis Thatcher Lent and his wife, Caroline Wattles, who was the daughter of Arunah and Elizabeth (Allen) Wattles.

In May, 1938, a number of men and women of the county organized themselves into a P. P. Bliss Centennial Committee, at the suggestion of Mr. Raymond B. Arnold of Milan, Pa. The pastor of the Rome Presbyterian Church was elected chairman, and committee meetings were held frequently until arrangements were completed for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of P. P. Bliss. At Rome on July 17 at two o'clock in the afternoon a large assemblage of people, estimated to number twelve thousand, gathered in a field near the Bliss cenotaph. Services lasting two hours were conducted, with the program including singing by a large choir and the congregation under the direction of Mr. Homer Rodeheaver of favorite Bliss gospel hymns, with accompaniment by Mr. B.

D. Ackley, a native of Spring Hill, Bradford County; a solo, "That Will be Heaven for Me," by Mr. Paul Milburn, Y.M.C.A. worker of South Amboy, N. J.; a message from George C. Stebbins, Catskill, N. Y.; prayer by Rev. J. R. Pennell, Methodist District Superintendent, Binghamton, N. Y.; recognition of those present who were at the unveiling of the monument in 1877; a statement by Mrs. Paul Bliss, widow of the son of P. P. Bliss, on behalf of herself and her sister-in-law, Mrs. George Bliss, who was also present; and an address by the Rev. Dr. Will H. Houghton, president of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. (Mrs. George Bliss died Jan. 12, 1940. Burial was at Candor, N. Y. Mrs. Paul Bliss died at Owego, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1940.)

In his address Dr. Houghton said, "It was Christ in his life that made Bliss different; otherwise he would have been just like the other composers. If Bliss were alive today, his message would be, 'Only Christ gives value to life.'" Further, Dr. Houghton said, "We have better-equipped houses than in Bliss' day, but we have more broken homes. We travel faster and know less what to do when we get there. We can talk around the world, but haven't anything to talk about. But Bliss did have something to talk about—Christ, the Redeemer."

In connection with this memorial service the pastor published for the occasion *A Centennial Sketch of P. P. Bliss, 1838-1938*. 2300 copies of which were sold.

On Aug. 31, 1938, in the Manse at Wysox, the pastor performed the ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. Leroy H. Rosenkrance of Binghamton, and Miss Hilda B. Ellis of Laceyville, Pa., sister of Mrs. C. M. Dimon of Rome.

At the annual meeting for election of trustees, held January 2, 1939, Mr. F. R. Powers was re-elected for a term of five years (to 1944). Other trustees in office at that time were Robert R. Cook (term expiring 1943); Mr. D. S. Rice (1942); Mr. William Kerr Funk (1941); Mr. William Rice (1940). Mr. Funk joined the church in 1937 by re-affirmation of faith, married Sept. 9, 1938, Miss Ruth E. Bennison of Illinois.



Seated, left to right: Francis, Manville, Robert R., Mrs Robert R., Carleton, Robert Cook. Standing, in front: Ruth. Standing, left to right: Harold, Lawrence, Raymond, Clarice, Edward, Marshall Cook.

On Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939, Guy Edward, infant son of Edward Manley and Mary Elizabeth (Cass) Cook, born Sept. 30, 1938, was baptized. His cousin, Nancy Louise Cook, born Aug. 29, 1938, infant daughter of Robert Howard and Cidney Louise (McCabe) Cook, was baptized at the same time. Mrs. Robert H. Cook is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McCabe of Towner Hill. Mr. Lawrence Newcomb Cook, son of Elder Robert Cook, joined the church on this Easter Sunday. He graduated 1940 at Cornell University. His sister, Clarice (Cook) Daugherty, wife of Edward, was given a letter of dismissal to the Methodist Church at North Orwell.*

Lawrence N. Cook entered Oct. 5, 1941, training at the U. S. Army Air Corps Training Detachment, Chickasha, Oklahoma. He was transferred to Enid Army Flying School, Enid, Oklahoma. He married July 10, 1942 at Harlingen, Texas, Miss Marie McKee, Afton, N. Y., daughter of George F. McKee.

At the annual congregational meeting held April 10, 1939, the church treasurer, Miss Mary Woodburn Rice, reported a total of \$570.49 received during the year just passed of which the Ladies' Auxiliary raised \$208.48. \$54.35 was given for missions. A budget of \$545 was adopted for the ensuing year. The superintendent of the Sunday School reported an enrollment of 54. Walter Abell and Frederick Rice were elected ushers. Mrs. Lillian Woodburn was elected president of the auxilliary; Mrs. Bertina Rice, vice-president; Mrs. Kathryn Barnes, secretary. The pastor reported the approximate completion of the manuscript of the History of the Presbyterian Church of Rome, Pa. Elder P. M. Barnes was authorized to have the furnace overhauled. The session report showed a net total church membership of 72.

In July the second annual pilgrimage to the cenotaph of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Bliss was observed. Over 600 participated in a program of music and speaking, led by the Reverend Douglas Davies, gospel baritone.

On August 7, 1939, the pastor read the vows for the marriage of Miss Betty Grace Whitney, eldest daughter of Mr. R.

B. and Alberta (Bennett) Whitney, at their home, to Mr. Robert Mahlon Thorpe of Orwell township. They went to live at Her-
rick, Pa. A son, Robert Mahlon, Jr., was born April 25, 1940;
and a daughter, Joanne Marie, was born March 13, 1942.

The pastor united in marriage Sept. 16, 1939, D. Thomas Sink, son of Dana and Fannie (Cook) Sink, of Rome township and Lulu I. Bradley, daughter of Leslie L. and Jennie (Harris) Bradley of Rome township at the home of Mr. Dana Sink. He joined in marriage Oct. 3, 1939, Guy Forbes Abell, D.V.S., son of Guy and Grace (Forbes) Abell, and Miss Ruth Frances Gillette, daughter of Paul D. and Florence Ruby (Till) Gillette of Rome township. Dr. Guy Abell has a lieutenant's commission in the United States Army, and is stationed at Langley Field, Va.

A memorial service was held Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 27, 1939, for Rev. David M. Davies. The following was read by the pastor:

The Reverend David Marthen Davies, who entered into the higher life Wednesday, August 16, 1939, was born October 28, 1859, in South Wales, Great Britain, almost eighty years ago. He was educated at Cardiff University, and Brecon College, South Wales, was ordained at Wolfesdale, Pembrokeshire, in 1889, and came to the United States in 1892. His departure from Wales was a matter of deep regret to many friends, as is evidenced by several testimonials received at that time, one of which was from an organized chorus which the Rev. Mr. Davies had directed.

He was united in marriage to Winifred, second daughter of Captain Thomas James and his wife Elizabeth. Mrs. Davies was born June 21, 1868, at Trevine, Pembrokeshire, ~~England~~, came to United States February 17, 1893, and was married on the same day to Mr. Davies by Rev. R. Sharon Jones, D. D., at the home of the latter at Providence, Scranton, Pa. Dr. Jones was an old friend of the Davies family. Mr. and Mr. Davies returned to the old country for at least two visits while they were living at Rome or Wysox.

Beginning at Neath, Mr. Davies spent a period of eighteen years in Bradford County, Pennsylvania, serving the churches

*Winifred James Davies b. June 21, 1868
in Trevine, Pembrokeshire S. Wales. d. Feb 15, 1961*

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at Neath, West Warren, Orwell, Rome, and Wysox. He lived in Rome for a few years, during which he and his wife lost their first born child, Byron Myrddin, who was born at Neath March 15, 1894 and died at Rome August 1, 1896. His remains are at rest near the P. P. Bliss monument.

Other children are, Ivor James, Isla Victoria and Thomas Lipton Pembroke. Ivor James was born at Neath, Pa., March 17, 1895, attended the Towanda High School, graduated from the Evanston, Wyoming High School, and spent three and one-half years at Leland Stanford Junior University. In 1917 he joined the army air service, and was discharged at the end of the war as sergeant major. He married in June, ~~1921~~, Winifred, daughter of Supt. J. H. Humphries of Towanda, (late of Salinas, California), and resides in San Raphael, California, engaged in the real estate and insurance business. 1930

Isla Victoria Davies was born in the Wysox manse January 7, 1901. She graduated from Evanston High School and attended Boston University Law School, where she graduated. She became a member of the California State Bar, and is now employed by the Pineapple Producers Cooperative Association of San Francisco.

Thomas Davies, born Nov. 19, 1902, at the Wysox manse, graduated from Evanston High School and attended Laramie University, Wyoming. He married in 1921 Helen Jarvie, and they have two children, Byron Pembroke and Barbara Jane. They live in San Francisco and he is a lithographer.

The Davies family left Wysox in 1910, moving to Evanston, Wyoming, where he served seven years. He was missions superintendent two years. Then they moved to Aberdeen, Idaho, where Mr. Davies served as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. After seven years he was placed on the Honorably Retired roll of Kendall Presbytery, and took the retired relation, which began June 1, 1927, with a comfortable pension. They retired to make a little home which they named "The Ivy Arch," at No. 21596 Meekland Avenue, Hayward, California, with the esteem of many friends in their treasure house of happy memories, and their children near them.

The sermons of Mr. Davies made lasting impressions on the minds of his hearers. Some still tell of one from the text, "In the year that King Uzziah died." His sermons were well planned, using much of Scripture, and geared to a knowledge of history and philosophy, "marking the culture and grace of a Christian gentleman."

A number of persons from Bradford County visited the Davies family in the summer of 1939, including Dr. Charles Reed, Mr. Donald Shoemaker and family, Mr. James Eastman and his son, Wesley, and Miss Emma Martin. Mr. Davies had been under medical treatment for a number of months, and submitted to a minor operation in the latter part of July. He seemed to have recovered, when a blood clot developed, which was cleared up, only to be followed by another which caused his death. His two sons had given him blood transfusions. His death occurred at St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco, Wednesday, August 16, after he had risen and dressed.

The funeral was held at the Hayward Presbyterian Church Saturday afternoon, August 19, when the pastor, Rev. William A. Pankey officiated, and Rev. Ezra Alan Van Nuys of San Francisco spoke, from the text, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," saying, "This is not a day of sorrow but of rejoicing." Fifteen Presbyterian ministers took part in or were present at the service, and committal services were conducted by the officers and members of the Eucalyptus Masonic lodge at Mountain View Cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Davies was a member of the Masonic lodge in Towanda, and the I.O.O.F. lodge at Wysox. The people of the Hayward church, in which Mr. Davies had rendered much volunteer service in connection with a men's Bible class, have been very kind to the bereaved family, and the profusion of flowers and large attendance at the funeral services attested the tribute of the people of Hayward among whom he had lived not in an active but a retired relation. The sympathy of these new friends has been a source of immediate cheer, and her interest in old friends and places has led Mrs. Davies to the decision to have the ashes interred in Rome near the remains of their

little boy Byron, at whose funeral service the Rev. S. I. Davis of LeRaysville officiated. And this decision brought her much comfort.

After the reading of the memorial address, the Rev. S. I. Davis of LeRaysville, Pa., told of Dr. Charles Reed's interest in the Davies family and called upon him to speak. Dr. Reed told how his son, Charles Beecher Reed, used to go to Rev. David M. Davies and recite Latin and Greek to him. Dr. Reed visited the Davies family in California this summer, and found them quite well.

The Rev. S. I. Davis spoke out of a knowledge of his friend and his family in Wales, and told of the other members of the family of Mr. Davies, naming brothers and sisters, and telling of life on the home farm, where David was born Oct. 28, 1859, the entrance of David into the schools and his progressive advance through London University and Brecon Divinity School to his ordination.

The Rev. Mr. Davies came to the United States in 1892. He had organized a chorus and they gave him testimonial letters on his departure. While at Rome, Mr. Davies organized a club of young people playing stringed instruments. He was affectionately known to them as "Daddy," and was remembered as a tall, big-framed man, over six feet tall.

After prayer and the poem "Crossing the Bar," by Rev. S. I. Davis, a poem, "A Comrade Rides Ahead," by Emerson Hough, was read, and the benediction pronounced. At the Rome cemetery the ashes were committed to a grave near that of the infant son Byron who died in 1896. The Rev. S. I. Davis who officiated at the burial of the son, also was in charge of the committal service for the ashes of the father.

Mr. Frank M. Rifenburgh, formerly active as an elder of the church, died March 8, 1940, aged 90 years, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Bowers of Johnson City, N. Y., and burial was at Rome Monday, March 11. He was a singing school and public school teacher. He had served as superintendent of the Sunday School, clerk of the session, and actively in the

erection of the present brick church edifice with O. F. Young, A. P. Young, Anson B. Cass, Isaac Seely and Rev. F. E. Bessey. Besides his daughter, there are his son Sumner, a teacher in Valparaiso, Indiana, and a number of grandchildren surviving.

Mr. Frank Rifenburgh was born Sept. 9, 1849, the son of Adam and Diana (Murrey) Rifenburgh. He married May 22, 1878, Emma C. Vought, a school teacher, and "a lovely woman," daughter of Lawrence and Tamson (Ransom) Vought. To this union two children were born: Mable Elaine, Oct. 16, 1883; and Sumner Adam, March 13, 1896. Mrs. Emma Rifenburgh died May 30, 1918.

1. Mable Elaine married Feb. 27, 1901, Arthur Ashley Bower. To them have been born: Emma Elizabeth Bower, Dec. 23, 1901; Robert John Bower, born May 13, 1903; Marion Victoria Bower, born June 17, 1904; and Charles Sumner Bower, born Dec. 19, 1905.

Emma Elizabeth Bower married Leon Bruce Lent and had two children, (1) Leon Carlyle Lent, born April 26, 1920; and (2) Doris Maxine Lent, born Dec. 15, 1924. Her husband, Leon Bruce Lent, died and Emma married Mr. Ferris Carlin.

Marion Victoria Bower married Charles Thomas Lester, and they had one daughter, Isabel Elizabeth Chester, born April 3, 1922.

2. Sumner Adam Rifenburgh lives at 246 Marsteller Street, West Lafayette, Indiana. He is assistant professor of zoology at Purdue University, holds a bachelor's and master's degrees from Valparaiso University and a doctor's degree in philosophy from Purdue. He married May 8, 1917, Miss Alma, daughter of H. S. and Mary (McCune) Peters. To them have been born two children: Arthur Woodrow Rifenburgh, born Jan. 19, 1919, at Dowagiac, Michigan; and Theda Eileen Rifenburgh, born June 23, 1923, at Valparaiso, Indiana. Woodrow graduated 1940 from the school of chemical engineering of Purdue University, and Eileen was a fourth year student in the high school at West Lafayette, of the class of 1941.

At the Easter service, March 24, 1940, Mrs. Susan Payne Nesbit, widow of Mr. Howard C. Nesbit, and her son William



CONGREGATION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL, SEPT. 29, 1940

Seated,—left to right, Rev. V. C. Dett, Mrs. John Woodburn, Mrs. Bert Conklin, Miss Caroline Lent, Mrs. Cora Marsh, Mrs. G. W. Chase, Carol Cass, Betty Stoll, "junior" Russell, Ruth Ann Woodburn, Miss Ruby Nichols, Wilbur Maryott, Margaret Woodburn, Miss Jean Whitney.

Standing—first row, Amos W. Northrup, Jr. (Tommy), Mrs. Edward Woodburn, D. S. Rice, Mrs. D. S. Rice, Mrs. W. G. Funk, Miss Mollie Rice, Elder G. W. Chase, Supt. A. K. Sundberg, Mrs. Sundberg, Susan Sundberg, Elder F. N. Powers, Bobby Stoll, David Rice, Duane Maryott.

Second row—standing, Miss Mary Russell, Mrs. I. V. Stoll, Miss Ruth Stoll, Shirley Cass, Barbara Dimon.

Third row—standing, Mr. Walter Abell, Miss Helen Abell, Miss Leola Beck, Miss Anna Hennip.

Fourth row—standing, Mrs. R. W. Russell, Miss Ruth Houston, Mrs. Wm. Rice, Miss Ruth Whitney, Frederick Rice, Mrs. U. M. Holmes.

Payne Nesbit, a music student at Pennsylvania State College, were baptized. Howard C. Nesbit (1893-1936) was born in the Ballibay section of Herrick township, settled by Scotch-Irish Presbyterian "Covenanters" among whom was William, great-great-grandfather of Howard C. Nesbit. They came from County Monaghan, Ireland.

Elizabeth ("Betty") Anne Stoll, born May 25, 1932, daughter of Dr. Isaac V. and Mildred (Davis) Stoll, was baptized at the Children's Day service, Sunday, June 9, 1940.

On May 17, 1940, Miss Grace Almyra Abell, born Jan. 31, 1909, the daughter of Guy and Grace (Forbes) Abell was married at New York City to William E. Naylor, born Aug. 10, 1896, the son of William A. and Alice S. (Chapell) Naylor. The couple reside at Elmhurst, Long Island, New York.

On Saturday evening, July 6, 1940, Miss Elizabeth E. Powers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Powers, was united in marriage at their home by the pastor to Mr. Robert C. Shannon, (born May 1, 1913) son of Charles Edward and Ruth Margaret (Turner) Shannon, late of Rochester, New York. Mrs. Robert Shannon was a teacher in the high school of Mattituck, Long Island, New York. Her husband is employed by the International Paper and Power Company of New York City.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT, 1940

Superintendent, Mr. A. K. Sundberg.

Assistant Superintendent, Mr. G. W. Chase.

Secretary, Walter Abell; Treasurer, Frederick Rice.

Primary Class:—Teacher, Miss Ruby Nichols; Robert Brimmer, Jr., and his brother, William; "Buster" Brown, son of Wurt; Stanley, son of Wilbur Beers; Carol, daughter of Mrs. Julia Cass; Jean, daughter of Edward Moore; Betty, daughter of Dr. I. V. Stoll; Margaret and Ruth Ann, daughters of Edward Woodburn; Wilbur Maryott, son of Mrs. Raymond Cook.

Junior Class:—Teacher, Miss Jean Whitney; Myra Jane, daughter of Paul M. Barnes; Jean, daughter of John McCabe; Bobby, son of Dr. I. V. Stoll; David, son of D. S. Rice; Mon-

tague and Shirley, children of Mrs. Julia Cass; "Junior", son of Roe W. Russell; Duane Maryott.

Girls' Class:—Mrs. U. M. Holmes, teacher; Anna Hennip, daughter of Henry; Catherine and Ruth, daughters of Charles Green; Daisy Morley, daughter of Mrs. Fay Morley; Dorothy, daughter of Amos Northrup; Ethel Mae Wilbur, daughter of Manville; Ruth, daughter of Dr. I. V. Stoll; Barbara, daughter of Clinton Dimon; Shirley, daughter of Mrs. Julia Cass; Dorothy, daughter of Zern Deats.

Boys' Class:—Teacher, Mr. A. K. Sundberg; Walter Abell; LaVerne Nichols, son of Mrs. Ray Nichols; Leon Edsall, son of Lyle; Amos Northrup, Jr.; Lester, son of Paul M. Barnes; Frederick, son of D. S. Rice.

Adult Class:—Teacher, Mr. George W. Chase; Mrs. G. W. Chase, Miss Caroline Lent, Mrs. D. S. Rice, Miss Mary W. Rice, Miss Nellie Barnes, Mrs. Jane Frisbie, Mrs. Lizzie Watson, Miss Helen Abell, Mrs. Ida Funk, Mrs. R. W. Russell, Mrs. Minnie Truesdale.

Home Department:—Mrs. Cora Marsh, Mrs. Robert R. Cook, Mrs. Julia Cannan, Mrs. Rhoda Lent, Mrs. Francis Daugherty.

At a meeting of the trustees held May 18, 1941, a contract was let to E. L. Bennington, Scranton, Pa., for the painting and cleaning of the interior walls and ceiling of the church. This work was completed June 5th at a cost of \$250. This was met by special contributions and a bank loan made by the trustees. The ladies of the women's auxiliary society, led by the president, Mrs. P. M. Barnes, took the initiative in this project. A new floor covering is planned. Mrs. John Woodburn has led a committee in making a friendship "names" quilt, the donors' names being embroidered on the cover. She died Feb. 10, 1942.

Grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Woodburn.

Rupert's children (Rupert married Mildred White of Athens, Pa.)—

1. Alice Marie Woodburn. Born March 19th, 1920. Died November 22nd, 1939.

2. John Francis Woodburn. Born May 18th, 1921. Now serving in the U. S. Navy.

3. Reese Robert Woodburn. Born November 30th, 1922. Now serving in the U. S. Navy.

4. Rupert Stanley Woodburn, Jr. Born March 8th, 1925.

5. Rita Ann Woodburn. Born August 30th, 1928.

6. Nancy Ann Woodburn. Born October 12th, 1935. Died at birth.

Children of Mrs. Kathryn Woodburn Bagley—

1. Maxine Vivian Bagley. Born September 6th, 1912. Now Mrs. Arthur C. Goodrich.

2. John William Bagley. Born September 26th, 1914. Now serving in the U. S. Air Corps.

3. Ethel Marie Bagley. Born January 6th, 1917. Now Mrs. Paul E. Harbst.

Child of Mrs. Evah Woodburn Moore (born 1891, married Joseph Moore who died in 1936)—

1. Mary Jane Moore. Born June 9th, 1924.

Child of Harvey and his wife, Laura Van Sice—

1. Harvey Albert Woodburn. Born April 7th, 1941.

Great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Woodburn—

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Goodrich:

1. Kathryn Margaret Goodrich. Born January 9th, 1936.

2. William Paul Goodrich. Born August 25th, 1939.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Harbst:

1. Thomas Edward Harbst. Born April 12th, 1934.

2. Marian Louise Harbst. Born April 6th, 1935.

3. Mary Kathryn Harbst. Born November 10th, 1936.

4. Paul Emerson Harbst, Jr. Born April 12th, 1938.

5. Jean Marie Harbst. Born August 6th, 1939.

6. Nancy Jane Harbst. Born October 12th, 1940.

7. Daniel Peter Harbst. Born November 17th, 1941.

On June 8th, Miss Anna Hennip, born March 13, 1920, at Ferrisville, Michigan, and baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church, became a member of the church upon confession of

faith. She was a member of the Church School class of Mrs. U. M. Holmes.

At the meeting of the session held this same day, Elder George W. Chase was elected clerk in the place of Paul M. Barnes, who had resigned.

Manville Cook graduated from Rome High School. He enlisted in the United States Marines and left for service July 14, 1941. James H. Rice left for army training service in Texas July 19, 1941, serving in the 66th School Squadron of the Advanced Air Corps Training School at Brooksville, Texas.

Harold Arthur Cook enlisted with the U. S. Marines in June, 1942. His picture appeared in the *Daily Review*, Towanda, Pa., July 9, 1942.

Others from this church or Sunday School in the armed services are: William B. Frederick, Arthur Martin, William Nesbit, and Thomas W. Whitney (Navy), making a total of 15.

Mr. Donald C. Miller, son of Lee and Blanche Miller of Rome was married July 3, 1942 to Miss Frances Yvonne Jacobs of Windham township.

Miss Florence Compton Tyrrell, daughter of Mrs. William Allen Tyrrell, was married June 22, 1942 to Mr. John Frederick Bertram at the South Presbyterian Church, Rochester, New York.

On Easter Sunday, April 5, 1942, Thomas William, born Dec. 8, 1940, the son of William L. and Elsie (Baxte) Rice was baptized.

*Two children have been born to them: Richard Duane, July 24, 1940, and Anna Lucile, June 3, 1942.

*Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Cook had born to them Aug. 25, 1940 an infant daughter, Sherry Mae. Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Cook had an infant daughter, Bonnie Marie, born to them No. 30, 1941.

*On August 8, 1942 Corporal James H. Rice entered the Army Air Forces' Officers' Candidate School, Sq. H, Group II, Wing I, Miami Beach, Florida, for twelve weeks training leading to the rank of second lieutenant.

CHAPTER XIII

REVIEW AND PREVIEW

The Rome Presbyterian Church was organized almost a century ago, April 17, 1844, by people who were mostly of New England extraction. The names of the charter members, as well as their family histories, indicate this: Eastman, Gates, Passmore, Spalding, Young. Other names among subscribers to the church building fund also point to New England ancestry, such as Barnes, Chaffee, Elliott, Frost, Moody, Kneeland, Parks, Prince, Rockwell, Seely, Towner, Whitney, Woodburn. Among the early settlers of the township were descendants of famous New England families known in Colonial history. The Peter Allen family was related to the Ethan Allen of the "Green Mountain Boys" of Vermont. The Maynard family members trace their lineage to a daughter of Jonathan Edwards. The Wattles family goes back to a niece of Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island. Mingled with New England names are those of the Hudson River valley: Eiklor, Lent, Vought.

Their New England origin stood them in good stead. The town meeting had made them familiar with civil organization and procedure. They organized their township, and their church with the assurance of those who were to the manner born, adopting readily a constitution, and proceeding to incorporation with the same kind of insight as was shown in the drawing up and signing of the Mayflower Compact. Having become incorporated, they immediately proceeded to the purchase of a lot for the erection of a church.

These pioneer men laid foundations with the possibilities of expansion in their plans. Their society's name, "The First Presbyterian Church and Congregation of Rome" indicated they thought there might come a time in the future of this settlement, when more than one church organization of their denomination might be needed. And while a second society was never

needed, they were already in an atmosphere of denominational fragmentation, the Presbyterian Church in the United States having split into the Old School and New School Presbyterian Churches in 1837. They did build a second church edifice forty-two years later.

The families of these pioneer men were large and soon filled the valleys and hills of the township with the busy work of farming, lumbering and handcraft industries. There were saw mills and grist mills along the streams, run on water power. Blacksmiths, cabinet-makers and builders were in demand. Shoemakers, tailors, and school teachers found ready employment. In the homes the women worked at spinning, weaving, sewing, knitting for textiles of the household, besides all the other work of housekeeping for large families. Descendants of the first charter members having children have been numbered up to one hundred and twenty. By 1860 the township had a population of 1450, and in 1870, 1563 were enumerated, this latter being more than one hundred per cent. greater than the present population, which in 1940 was 758 (Rome township, 540; Rome borough, 218, according to the U. S. census report).

This church was organized less than two months after the inauguration of James K. Polk of Tennessee as President of the United States. In the same year was the beginning of the modern cooperative movement at Rochdale, England, where 28 poverty-stricken weavers opened their own store. In this year Morse invented the telegraph which carried the message fraught with meaning for communication, "What hath God wrought!" Two years later Elias Howe invented the sewing machine, and the War with Mexico began. Four years after the organization of this Rome church gold was discovered in California. The nation was already beginning to feel the tension between North and South over the question of slavery, for in 1844 the Methodist Church divided on this issue, North and South. Academies were rapidly becoming a part of the picture of northern and eastern communities. They functioned as high schools, preparing pupils for college. The Rome Academy was organized in 1848, and was one of the 6,085 in the United States in 1850.

The greatest contribution of the Presbyterian Church of Rome, Pennsylvania to the Kingdom of God appears to have been the influence for encouragement the church exerted through its members and services upon the character of P. P. Bliss, composer of "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning." The family of Elder Oscar F. Young, all members of the household being members of the church, was particularly effective in this. The day after Lucy Jane Young married Philip Paul Bliss they went before the session and were admitted into church membership. It is family tradition that she taught him to play the organ. He sang in the church choir, where he was noticed by the pastor, Rev. Darwin Cook.

This musical background was a part of the pattern of the Rome community, which was the home of the talented Towner family, members of which conducted singing schools in different neighborhoods of the township and beyond. Young Bliss entered with enthusiasm and enjoyment into these schools. He had a natural love for music and acquired avidly a working knowledge of it, till he was soon teaching classes himself. After moving to Chicago he came into contact with D. L. Moody at Chicago, and dedicated himself with his musical abilities to the service of Christ in gospel song work, through which he was able to create a lasting impression upon his own generation, and through his untimely death at the age of only thirty-eight, in the Ashtabula railroad disaster, to leave a lasting influence upon the Christian Church. His life proves that a consecrated person can accomplish marvellous work when dedicated to the service of Christ. It is inspiring to realize that a man of such humble origin and limited opportunities was able to accomplish so much in so limited a time. It is remarkable what he was able to do through sheer force of character, acquired through his faith and devotion to Christ. Members of the Rome Presbyterian Church should be humbly grateful that their fellowship was used of God to nurture this life of devotion.

While there have been a number of times of refreshing growth in membership, the church has always been comparatively small in enrollment. Beginning with ten charter members, the

membership grew to 18 the next year, then to 40 in 1857, which was the highest attained until 1886, the average for the first forty years being 28. There was a much larger growth from 1886 to 1888 when the membership reached 64, and the Sunday School enrollment 125, but the total fell back again till in 1896 there were only 27 communicant members reported, with 40 in the Sunday School. This recession made an average for the 15 years from 1881 to 1896 of 38. The average reported membership for the period from 1896 to 1911 was the same as that of the first forty years, namely, 28. This made the average annual membership from the beginning, in 1844, to 1911 to be 30.5. The period of 1912 to 1929 shows an average membership of 44. The last decade (1930-1940) had an average of 68 communicant members. The average for the 96 years of the entire history of the church is 39. At present 72 communicants are listed in good standing on the church roll. Of this number 22 are non-resident. The highest number ever reported was 75 in 1933.

The average giving per member was \$7.03 in 1881; in the period from 1896 to 1911 it was \$8.00; from 1912 to 1929 it was \$8.85; and from 1930 to 1940 the average per capita contributions totaled \$8.75. The highest contributions reported for any one year were in 1886—\$2,049; the next highest were in 1887—\$1,044.60. These years covered the time of the building of the present brick church. The third highest amount of contributions in any one year was \$707 for the year closing March 31, 1940, a per capita of \$9.82. In Lackawanna Presbytery it was \$20.17. The year beginning April 1, 1941 showed a large increase in gifts, occasioned by special contributions toward repairs and redecorations.

All this indicates that this has been a small rural church. To offset the disadvantages of being quite limited in resources of personnel and finances, the church through most of its existence has joined with other nearby Presbyterian churches in the engagement of the services of a minister, particularly with Orwell and Wysox, with which it now is grouped to make a parish of three rural churches having a combined membership of 244.

This church has also for the last thirty years at least had financial aid from the home mission funds of presbytery, the total amount of aid at present for the minister's salary being five hundred dollars per year.

The additions of members into this Rome church from 1844 to 1940, as shown by the records, total 342, of whom around 74 are noted as being taken in by letter. During this time there were reported 107 children's baptisms. Members dismissed by certificate to other churches number 116. The number of persons leaving the Rome church for other churches by letter exceeds those received in this manner by 42. This has been general among rural churches, that they have sent more to other churches than they have received. The number of those going out to other churches includes P. P. Bliss and his wife, Lucy Young; Dr. Clarence J. Marshall, State Veterinarian, Reverend Stephen P. Gates, Professor Sumner A. Rifenburgh.

From 1887, when the women of the church organized a ladies' aid society, until the present, much of the support of the church has come from the financial activities of the women. In addition to their own subscriptions toward the salary of the minister or the budget of the church many have served devotedly at society dinners, bazaars and entertainments. They have found a goodly fellowship in this service and have had their energies channeled into worth-while purposes. They have helped maintain a church which has kept going worship services, a Sunday School, and a series of social gatherings in which members of the community could have social contacts under spiritual auspices. The Ladies' Aid dinners have provided a social pattern of goodly feeling among neighbors and also have been a means of supporting the work of the church.

Extreme denominational consciousness has marked the time of the life of this church. Even the denomination of which it became a local church unit was already split into parts known as Old School and New School Presbyterian Churches. This Rome church was organized as a part of the Old School division, and suffered some of the unfortunate consequences of that division. Along with this denominational schism was a sense of

difference from the Baptist and Methodist Churches represented by local societies in the community.

In a time of extreme individualism these denominations afforded chances for most of the individuals of the community to place their adherence with three various kinds of belief and church organization. For any remaining who were not attracted to any one of these three, there were others, which while not strong enough to organize units, did have adherents, including Universalists, Spiritualists and Seventh Day Adventists. Through no particular fault of its own, the Rome Presbyterian Church has been in a time and place of denominational fragmentation which has been sometimes a drawback to the work of building the Kingdom of God in the community. While a tremendous amount of good has been done, much more could have been accomplished had there been more of unity.

This has evidently been the opinion of a number of church members at different times in the history of the churches of this community. Several movements of inclusive rather than exclusive activity, have been carried through, notably union Sunday Schools, the Christian Endeavor Society and community Thanksgiving services. In 1867 a thriving union Sunday School enlisted goodly numbers. Another was organized near the close of the pastorate of the Reverend Fred V. Frisbie, in 1921. The young people's society of Christian Endeavor carried through an effective and united movement of the youth of all three churches for over a score of years. The way of cooperation has thus been demonstrated in these union projects and now has the added example of the consolidation of the district and borough public schools into a combined grade and high school. Spiritual service to the community could be more possible of its utmost fulfillment if the present churches, Methodist and Presbyterian, were to combine their services and resources in at least a federation that would respect denominational traditions and connections and at the same time open the way for the realization of more effective cooperation. A successful and outstanding example of this kind of church cooperation through federation flourishes in the adjacent township of Orwell where the Methodist and Pres-



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byterian Churches have a twelve-year-old church federation which occupies one church property, using the proceeds of the sale of the other for the upkeep of the one, which houses one church service and Sunday School and yet maintains denominational connections and obligations and preserves the advantages which exist in such denominational connections, not the least of which are the supply of an educated ministry and the promotion of missionary and benevolent work.

APPENDIX

The following is inserted because of its recital of the origin of the Woodburn family. The justice of the peace who witnessed the deed for the church lot was a cousin of Rebecca Woodburn, his father John being a brother of Naphtali Woodburn.

A SHORT SKETCH OF MY ANCESTORS

(Written by Rebecca Woodburn, daughter of Naphtali and Rebecca Lewis Woodburn, and wife of Random Woodburn)

I have been thinking that perhaps it might be both interesting and encouraging to the rising generation of the Woodburn family to retain some correct information relative to our ancestors, and thereby embrace the faithfulness of a covenant keeping God in preserving to himself a people in this lineage for many generations, that succeeding descendants in this family may recognize the faithfulness of God in keeping covenant and mercy with their progenitors who have walked before him in truth. And we humbly trust that Almighty God will preserve in this family a seed to serve Him from one generation to another until Christ appears the second time without sin unto salvation.

I am indebted to my father's brother, David Woodburn, now deceased, who was the last of his generation, for the following account. John Woodburn, my father's grandfather, was born in Ireland—but in early life went to England, engaged in business for Mr. Car, a tradesman in Liverpool. While in the service of this nobleman, he married his only daughter—a beautiful black eyed girl. Her father gave them a fine fortune, together with a ship loaded with every necessary convenience for a voyage to America. Finally John Woodburn took with him twelve families comprising men of various order and occupation, including clergy and physician, and with his beautiful bride set sail for America. During their voyage their vessel sprang a leak and death seemed inevitable; every effort was made to save the ship and after resorting to every possible precaution without success, they betook themselves to prayer. All fell upon their

knees and cried to God for deliverance. The leak was stayed and they had a prosperous voyage. After landing, and examination was made of the ship and they found to their astonishment that a large shark had thrust its head through the opening of the ship and thus became an instrument in the hand of God in the preservation of their lives. This loathsome fish was already in a state of decomposition and could not have stayed the leak, had their voyage been protracted another day.

They landed at Boston, bought a township of the Indians and settled it with the twelve families, making in number seventy souls whom they had brought from England. Having made a fine settlement they called it Woodburn town—but the Indian title proved a fraud and in process of time another nation or tribe came and drove them off. Mr. Woodburn and his wife had been very kind to the Indians and had made themselves favorites among this tribe in particular, at least a part of this tribe were warmly attached to them. And these friendly Indians gave them timely warning to leave, telling them that the tribe had resolved to set fire to the town. Accordingly Mrs. Woodburn discreetly secured a large quantity of gold and silver, and with her two daughters—together with the entire settlement, left for Boston. But Mr. Woodburn, having so much confidence in the friendship of the Indians, ventured to stay and see how the matter would end. He would not believe that these hitherto friendly Indians would take his life, or even compel him to leave—but in this he was mistaken; they finally gave him ten days notice, telling him that if he valued his life to pack up and be gone. Said they should fire his house if he were not gone at the expiration of the days; counting their fingers to let him know the number of days he could stay they left him to make his own decision.

One friendly Indian who loved him fondly came every day during the ten, counting each day a finger less, and as the angels took hold of Lot and hurried him out of Sodom, so did the poor Indian hurry the white man to leave the place and save his life. But regardless of these entreaties he tarried until the tenth day when the whole tribe came and fired upon his house. Securing the remainder of his money he threw a sack of wool upon his

back and fled. The Indians closely pursued and constantly fired upon him until he had cleared the settlement. Having reached his family in Boston they took from his back the favorite sack and found deposited therein seven bullet balls. Thus the simple sack of wool was another instrument in saving his life and in preserving the Woodburn posterity in America.

He removed his family to New London County, Connecticut, where he settled for life. Mrs. Woodburn who had been brought up in affluence looked upon her misfortunes as grief and in bitterness of spirit said, "Alas, alas, what have I come to?" But Mr. Woodburn after his escape from the Indians was graciously led to review the past and in tracing the providences of God in the preservation of his life by sea and by land, and in view of temporal prosperity he became thoroughly convinced of the propriety of a special dedication of himself to the service of Almighty God. He was at length converted under Whitefield's preaching and was soon afterward ordained a preacher of righteousness.

After settling in Connecticut they were blessed by two sons, George and Samuel. George Woodburn was my father's father, born in Connecticut Sept. 15, 1722. He married Miss Richardson of Preston, lived with her one year only, when she was removed by death. And in July, 1759(?) he married a second wife, Mary Culver, a lady of Grotten, London County, Connecticut. He was heir to his father's inheritance and these children were all born and reared under the same roof. My dear father was one of this number. The entire family was given to God by baptism, under the Presbyterian order. They were in time converted and most of them led holy lives and finished their course in peace.

David Woodburn, whom I have before referred to as the last of his generation, and to whom I am indebted for this memorial (and of whom I have so often heard it said was the favorite of the family) was the younger son, christened Benjamin Woodburn, but his parents renamed or rather added the name David, preferring to call him after the son of Jesse, the man after God's own heart. His parents, together with brothers and sisters, were

strictly pious and some of these have died in the triumphs of faith. While living, their united prayers ascended the holy hill in behalf of their younger and favorite brother—and having lived myself some years with that remaining member of a worthy family, I am prepared to say of my much beloved and respected father-in-law, that these prayers have been answered and I am prepared to say that he was more than common benevolent, kind, pleasant and obliging and with all, as I humbly believe, even at the eleventh hour embraced the religion of his fathers and with them was gathered in peace.

Some years previous to my grandfather's death he removed with his family to Petersburg, Rensselaer County, New York, where he remained until the year 1802, when he was removed by death in the 80th year of his age.

After his death my grandmother removed with my father to Wysox, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, where she spent the remainder of her days. She died in 1823, in the 88th year of her age. My father and mother were both born in one town but knew nothing of each other until they met in Petersburg where they were married and lived a number of years. They finally removed to Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York, where my father kept public house a few years, but his religious principles forbade him to remain long in this business. He remembered that when Christ was upon earth there was no room for Him at the inn and a few years of experience convinced him that this was still the case. He therefore abandoned the employment and was successfully engaged in the mercantile business many years, but finally went to Wysox, Bradford County, where he lived and died beloved and lamented by all who knew him.

Ten years later my dear and lovely mother was gathered with others of the sacred dead to sleep the sleep that knows no awakening until the last trumpet shall sound. And oh, how sacred the memory of that mother—how I love to dwell upon her virtues. I love in imaginary fondness to gaze upon her pleasant and benign countenance and to recognize looks of love from eyes that have long since closed forever. I think it due the mem-

ory of my sainted mother to say that her life was one of usefulness, though mostly confined within the range of her own family. A diversity of fortune followed her and a multiplicity of cares gathered around her in raising her family, yet her examples were in many respects worthy of imitation, even in disposition, always ready to throw a mantle of love over imperfections of others and prudent to conceal anything that might give offense. In short, it might be well said that her example was one of gentleness and patience, and it may be added with equal propriety that to her godliness with contentment was great gain.

My father was uniformly devout, faithful and zealously persevering in the service of God, and in all his interests with the world. I believe he acted in reference to the glory and honor of Him who had called him to glory and virtue. My father died January 15, 1839, aged 70 years. Mother died December, 28, 1849, aged 74 years. [Burial on farm of E. R. Bull, R. I., Wysox.]

The generation of the upright shall be blessed. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him and His righteousness unto children's children to such as keep His covenant to those that remember His commandments to do them.—Psalms 112:2.

Through His all abounding grace I find myself this day in possession of that goodly land, which is the glory of all lands, the land which floweth with milk and honey. And O who that loves can love enough! I am most happy to say in conclusion that the consolations of the spirit abound, that mercy and peace are multiplied, that Jesus is a perfect Savior and a satisfying portion. The fear of the Lord tendeth to life, and who so trusteth in God shall abide in peace—they shall dwell safely and shall be quiet from fear of evil. Amen.

(The writer, Mrs. Rebecca Woodburn, born July 14, 1820, married Random Woodburn of Cherry Valley, N. Y., son of David Woodburn. She died at Cherry Valley in 1898).

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Five Survivors of 1899 Program in Orwell Church

A replica of an unusual program staged in the Orwell Presbyterian Church over 52 years ago was recently presented to Mrs. D. W. Cowles of Orwell.

Five persons who participated in the social, which was held on the evening of Oct. 13, 1899, are still living. Four of the survivors, ranging in age from 77 to 88 years, served on the "dish washing" committee for the program and all still reside in the Orwell area. The fifth is Mrs. D. Davies, widow of the Rev. D. Davies who was pastor of the Orwell church before the turn of the century. She is now residing in California.

Following is the "literary" program which was presented in connection with the social:

Jews harp solo, H. Champlin; declamation, G. C. Frisbie; selection, "The Blue Juniata" by a quartet consisting of Mrs. J. W. Ford, Mrs. J. P. Cowles, J. P. Coburn and C. J. Eastman; oration, "Dewey", C. N. Beers; Welch song, Rev. D. Davies; reading, "Selections from David Harum", J. P. Coburn; music by quartet.

Table committee for the affair was Samuel Case, George Frisbie, J. P. Coburn, C. N. Beers, Eaton Frisbie and J. W. Ford. Serving on the dish washing committee were Frank Champlin, D. W. Cowles, J. E. Eastman, Adam Kier, E. H. Farrar and J. L. Howe. Ushers were Mrs. Carrie Bronson, Mrs. S. G. Case, Mrs. E. A. Matteson, Mrs. A. A. Platt,

Mrs. H. Champlin and Mrs. Charlotte Farrar. Rev. D. Davies and C. J. Eastman made up the committee on coffee. Door tenders were Mrs. C. N. Beers and H. Howe, while the stage managers were Mrs. D. Davies and Mrs. C. J. Eastman.

The admission charge was nominal, even for the 1890s, being nine cents for adults and seven for children.

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A marriage license application has been taken out at the office of the register and recorder by the following:

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Dear Mrs. Davies,

Ruth Whitney showed me a couple of your letters. I notice you have had a copy of the Rome Church History and got a lot of enjoyment out of it, and that you note you were born in a place in Wales. I hope you will correct that in the copy you have, and let me know just how you spell the name of the place that I may change it in my personal copy also.

I noticed in your letter that Mona Quigly Landon had been to see you. I remember her name in the book, and had a letter from her indicating her interest in the Rome Church History, though she never got one. I would be pleased if you could send me her address, that she might purchase one if she still wants one, as I have only about 15 copies left.

I have also published another book recently, about the Orwell Federated Church, which includes much information about the early families on Orwell Hill who moved to LeRaysville, and about the old church at Warrenham, which was at first joined with Orwell in one pastorate and even name.

Perhaps your children would also be interested in one of ~~the~~ these books, or more than one, and I will send them circulars describing them if you will send the names and addresses of all of them: Ivor James, Isla and Thomas.

How well I remember the memorial services we held at the Rome church in honor of your husband. Dr. Reed was very much interested, and brought the ashes from the express office at Towanda, I believe. Did you ever get a copy of my brochure on P. P. Bliss? We have run out of them, but perhaps Ruth may have one she could let you read.

We are quite well situated here for people in the sixties - only one church, instead of three to which we had always been accustomed. We will be looking for some new way of life at retirement around seventy, I suppose.

It is good to know you have been finding life a blessing, and I am sure it is to those about you.

Sincerely yours,

Victor C. Detty

much to stabilize and offset the Russian... His record in World War II leaves nothing to the imagination. There is however a great deal more to the selection of a Presidential Nominee than the above.

IT SEEMS to us that it would be advisable and for the good of the Republican Party as well as a factor in gaining the confidence of the people of this nation if the General would make a few statements on issues that effect our own back yard. Frankly we believe it would be much to the benefit of all if he would resign his present position, come home, start from the ground floor and tell this nation what he believes should be done to offset the present mess, both from a domestic as well as a world wide standpoint. We would like to have these statements on policy come from the General himself and not from Senator Lodge or Senator Duff. The Republican party cannot win if the candidate for office does not get out and state his views and it would seem sheer folly to place the name of Dwight D. Eisenhower before the convention and select him without knowing his views on the problems we, here in the United States, face. The Republicans have botched their job of electing a President three straight times in a row simply because they did not get out and sell. Even though they may think they have a sure winner in Dwight D. Eisenhower they cannot sell him to the American public if he himself had not told this floundering nation what he can and will do. We believe it would be much wiser to choose Senator Robert Taft, who has proven that he can beat the Democrats against overwhelming odds in their own back yard, because he got out and said what he thought, if the General refuses to speak.

We believe that if the General would come home, make a definite fight for the nomination it would do this country much more good than the effect his present attitude is making on the American public.

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Rev. Archibald McKintay, pastor of the
First Presbyterian Church, Athens, Ga.
Mr. B. D. Haskley, pianist for Mr.
Hodchever.

Dr. Will A. Houghton, President of
The Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.
Homer Hodchever, who became ex-
tra as song leader for the late
Bible Sunday.

Rev. W. H. Swope, pastor of the Rome M.E.
Church.

Mr. Raymond Beers Arnold,
Milwaukee, Wis. - It was he who was
inspired with the thought of having
such a celebration, and he did
much to bring his dream to realization.
Rev. Victor C. Britty, pastor of the Rome
and Wayne Presbyterian and Owell
Union Churches.

Authors of the Bliss Memorial Booklet
and the History of The Wysox Church.

Rev. and Mrs. David M. Davis.

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selectors if they put on their porch lights on a specific night. He said the plan has worked very well on by nership. Because this talk will be so outstanding, Mr. Troy said, the general public is being urged to attend.

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